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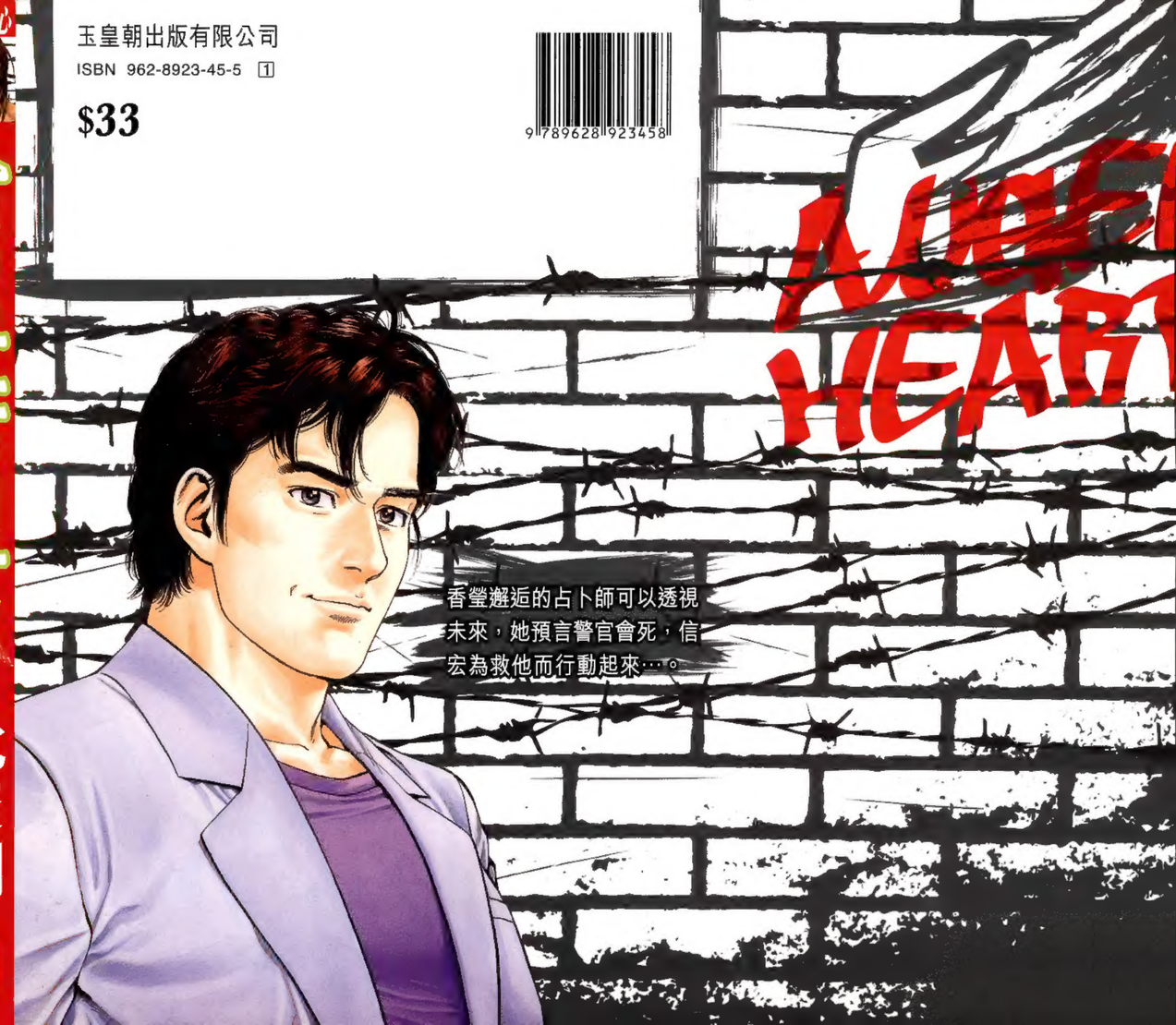

香瑩邂逅的占卜師可以透視未來，她預言警官會死，信宏為救他而行動起來…。

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由於工作需要，我常常去逛書店。那天也是去書店找資料。有兩名高中女生從漫畫書架向文庫書架走來，其中一個拿起一本平放著的書，翻了幾下說：「這麼多字的書怎麼看啊。」

說完把書隨手扔下走了。

雖然我是漫畫家，但是我一邊整理她扔下的書一邊想：不要只看漫畫，也要看看這些文字書啊。

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Umibozu
Ryo's close friend, an ex-killer who became a cafe owner after losing his sight.

Shin-Hon Liu
Previous member of Azure Dragon, has come to like "Glass Heart" during the training.

Kaori Makimura
Ryo's beloved partner. Passed away due to a traffic accident.

Ryo Saeba
Commonly known as City Hunter, a professional killer who mainly uses guns (cleaner of the city's dirt and rubbish). He immediately becomes aroused when he sees a beautiful lady.

Reiko Kawamoto
A fortune teller. She has prescience powers to see into a person's future, but it is also the source of her troubles.

Miki
A young girl who brings good luck to those around her. Umibozu is entrusted to take care of her.

Saeko Nogami
A high ranked police officer of Shinjuku. Is an old acquaintance of Kaori and Ryo.

The Story Thus Far

A young girl, trained into a killing machine by a certain Taiwanese organization, tried killing herself, but was revived as the organization transplanted the heart of City Hunter's partner into her body. The revived and awakened Glass Heart, being affected by the heart's memory, left the organization and was lured to Shinjuku, where Ryo is.

After acquiring the name Shanin, Glass Heart began the job of City Hunter.

One day, Shanin averted a major accident by heeding the clairvoyant warnings of a stranger she met on the street. The stranger's name was Reiko Kawamoto, an individual who possesses prescience abilities. Shanin and the others believe her prescience abilities to be real, and with her powers, she issued a warning to police officer Shougo Shimazu about his death if he were to marry the woman he intended to. But he ignored Reiko's warning, and married the woman anyway. Shin-Hon saw himself when looking upon Mr. Shimazu, and was determined to save him...

Shanin (Glass Heart)
A young girl trained into a killing machine by the organization. Left the organization after getting the heart transplant of Kaori (who passed away in an accident).

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Chapter 177 A Man's Faith

YOU WANNA TAKE A MONTH OFF?

THIS IS A LIFE-AND-DEATH SITUATION!

WHAT'RE YOU DOING? SHIN-HON! DRIVING OFF WITH THE SHOP'S CAR... WHERE ARE YOU?

…

FINE THEN, AN UNPAID LEAVE OF ABSENCE! THANK YOU FOR THIS TIME OFF!

Stingy!

CLICK!

I MUST PROTECT THAT POLICE OFFICER, MR. SHIMAZU!

I WANT TO PROTECT HIM!

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...
AH-SHAN SEEMS TO BE WITH HIM TOO...

HMPH!... THAT IDIOT IS SO INTO IT...

...

BUT... ARE YOU REALLY NOT GONNA BRING SHIN-HON BACK?

IT'S FINE. BESIDES... THERE'S NOTHING I COULD SAY TO THEM TO MAKE THEM LISTEN.

COFFEE HOUSE CAT'S EYE

RYO, ARE YOU NOT GOING TO CARE?

...
HMPH!

AS A FATHER, ISN'T THAT IRRESPON-SIBLE?

YOU WANNA BORROW MS. REIKO'S ABILITIES?

THAT IDIOT WON'T LEARN UNLESS HE EXPERIENCES! HE'LL UNDER-STAND WHEN HE FAILS.

THAT'S TRUE ...

YES... WE CAN'T SPY ON THEM FOR A WHOLE MONTH.

MS REIKO MAY HAVE SEEN SOMETHING THAT WOULD TELL US WHAT DAY IN THE FUTURE IT'LL BE

IF WE KNOW WHEN IT'LL HAPPEN, WE JUST NEED TO PROTECT MR. SHIMAZU THEN

...

...

NOW?

I'LL ASK HER.

SHIN-HON! YOU... YOU'RE REALLY DES-PERATE TO HELP THEM, AREN'T YOU?

!!

YES, IT'S UP TO YOU TONIGHT.

WHAT EXACTLY... DID YOU MEAN...

YOU EVEN TALKED ABOUT HOW YOU UNDERSTOOD MR. SHIMAZU'S FEELINGS...

ERR... THIS...

I JUST CAN'T LEAVE IT ALONE!

WHY ASK SO MUCH!

...?

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IF YOU'RE GOING BACK, I SUGGEST YOU RUN. I SAW THE TRAIN WAS AT 7:30.

NO... NO WAY?

SHIN-HON!

NOW... WHAT?

...

...

Jo...

THIS PLACE'S TOO RURAL!

WEIRD GUY...

WAH!

MS. REIKO!

SQUEAK

チャ

BAR Jade

...

Hah,

Hah,

Hah,

FINALLY MADE IT

AREN'T YOU OVER-ESTIMATING ME?

HEHE HEHE ...

WHAT? WHY IS IT YOU AGAIN?

I ONLY SEE A GLIMPSE OF THE FUTURE, HOW'D I KNOW THE DETAILED DATE AND TIME?

IT'S REASON-ABLE...

BECAUSE THAT WAS THE SAME DAY! THE NEARER THE FUTURE, THE CLEARER THE VISION!

BUT ON THE DAY YOU MET SHANIN, DIDN'T YOU FORESEE THE CAR LOSING CONTROL?

!!

CAN YOU LOOK INTO HIS FUTURE AGAIN?

IF THE NEARER THE BETTER, THEN TRY AGAIN, PLEASE!

THEN... CAN YOU CONFIRM THE FUTURE DATE OF HIS DEATH?

WAIT, PLEASE!

NO WAY! I'VE HAD ENOUGH... I'M TIRED!

...

NO MATTER HOW YOU TRY... DESTINY WILL NOT BE CHANGED!

DIDN'T I SAY IT? ONCE THE GEARS START TURNING, THERE'S NO STOPPING...

DON'T WASTE YOUR TIME...

.....

...

NO BUTS!

BUT ...

PLEASE COME WITH ME! I BEG YOU... GIVE ME ONE MORE CHANCE!

WAIT ...

HE'S BEGGING YOU, JUST GO WITH HIM, MISS!

Hehe~

NICELY DONE, PAL!

... HEY!

REALLY... WHY'RE YOU SO STUBBORN?

CLANK!

CLICK!

Don't give up!

Hang in there, pal!

Hehe~

...

PLEASE!

STOP THIS! IT'S EMBAR-RASSING

I CAN'T LEAVE IT ALONE...

...

MOREOVER ... IT'S NONE OF YOUR BUSINESS.

HMPH!

...

WHAT DO YOU MEAN?

...?

MR. SHIMAZU'S FEELINGS ... I CAN UNDER-STAND.

BECAUSE ... I'M THE SAME.

... THAT PERSON ...

I'LL ASK YOU AGAIN.

...

YES!

IS THAT WHAT YOU MEAN?

FOR GLASS HEART, FOR YOUR SAVIOUR, YOU CAN THROW AWAY YOUR LIFE...

BERETTA

THAT'S WHY I'VE LIVED TILL NOW...

THIS LIFE THAT GLASS HEART SAVED IS FOR PROTECTING HER...

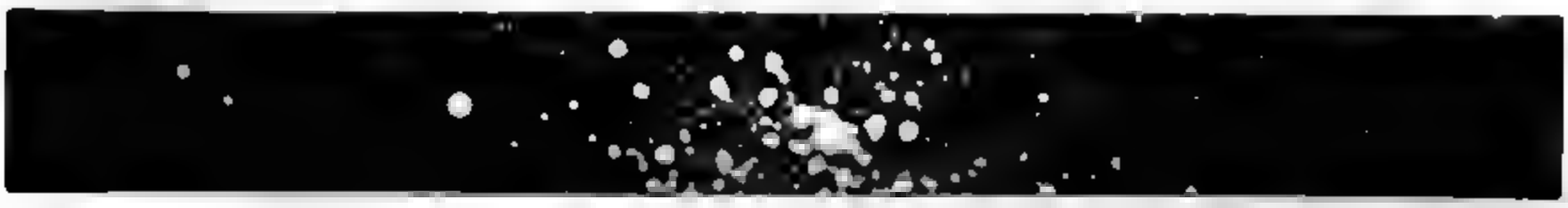
...

ALRIGHT, I SEE YOU'VE DECIDED ...

I'LL BE MORE THAN HAPPY TO!

IF I'M TO DIE NOW...

FIRE



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LIVE FOR THE ONE YOU LOVE!
NOW THAT YOU'RE REBORN ...

SHOWN ME YOUR DETER-MINATION

...?

!!

...

...

WHO ARE YOU PEOPLE?

...

...YOU...

MR. SHIMAZU ABANDONED HIS MORE IMPORTANT THINGS AND CHOSE HIS LOVER...

...

IF YOU COULD SEE PEOPLE'S PASTS... IT'D PROBABLY BE REALLY SCARY!

...

BUT HAVING TO FACE DEATH ... I CAN'T JUST STAND THERE... I CAN'T SUPPRESS MY EMOTIONS!

I'LL TEST YOUR DETER-MINATION ...

... LET'S TRY IT ...

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GUESS ... YOU WIN...

NOTHING! LEAVE IT FOR TOMORROW... I'M TOO TIRED FOR TONIGHT!

EH ...

JUST DRINK! YOUNG MAN...

AH... OK!

CLACK!

A... AL-RIGHT! THEN...

AH ...

MAYBE A YOUNGER MAN ISN'T SO BAD...

ㄱㅣㄱ

WHAT ARE YOU SAYING?

YOU ...

I'VE ONLY LOOKED AT OLDER MEN... YOUR STRAIGHT-FORWARD ATTITUDE IS NICE.

JUST KIDDING.

HA HAHA HA...

...

WEIRD SHIN-HON

...

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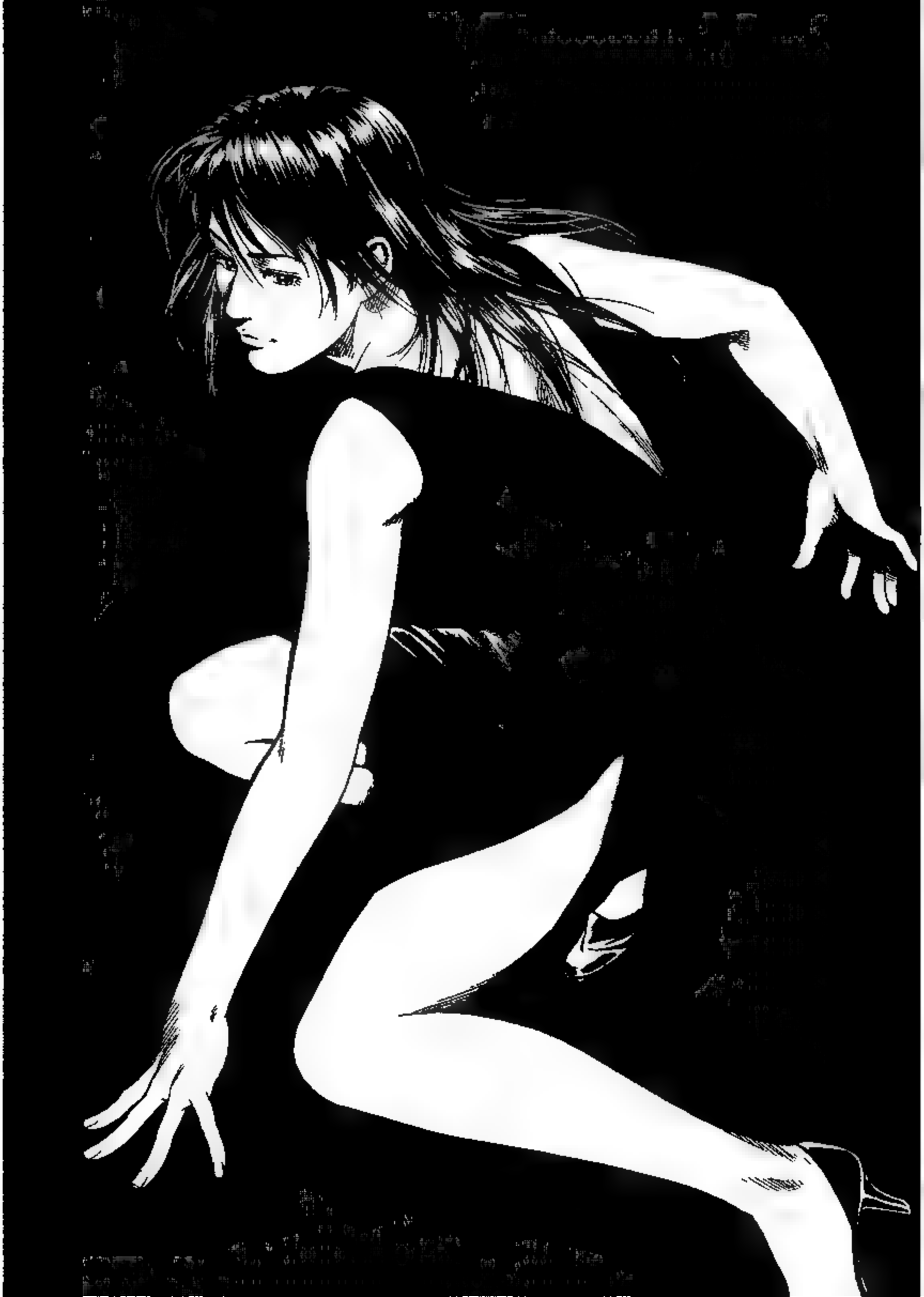

YOU TAKE IT EASY TOO!

TAKE CARE ... BE CAREFUL ON THE ROAD, SHOUGO.

北武蔵署春日駐在所

I'LL BE PATROL-LING... SU-JEONG!

北武蔵署春

WHERE ARE YOU NOW?

MEET YOU AT THE TRAIN STATION?

WHAT'S GOING ON SHIN-HON? IT'S SO NOISY, I CAN'T HEAR.

NO NEED TO SPY IN THE DAY?

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ゴト ゴト

HAHA HAHA!

HEHE!

I SAID ...

THUMP! THUMP!

THE DAY-TIME IS FIIINE!

THE FUTURE I SAW HAPPENED AT NIGHT!

MS. REIKO SAYS DAYTIME'S FINE!

IS THAT SO...

You'll get alcohol poisoning like that...

AH! AH-SHAN! ♡

IF I DIDN'T GET DRUNK, THESE PEOPLE'S FUTURES WOULD OVERWHELM MY MIND!

MS. REIKO WHAT'D YOU SAY? ARE YOU DRUNK?

COS THERE'S HUNDREDS OF PEOPLE ON THE TRAIN!

...
IT'S BE-
CAUSE
...

WHY'S MY FATHER THERE? SHIN-HON, EXPLAIN THIS.

RYO-PAPA?

I'VE DRUNK A BIT TOO MUCH, SO PICK US UP AT THE STATION!

本醐

WE MET MR. SAEBA IN SHINJUKU BY COINCI-DENCE...

SO HE FOLLOW-ED US.

COINCI-DENCE ...

DON'T HOLD BACK!

COME, LET'S PARTY!

...

AHAHA HAHAHA!

NICE! GO ON!

... A COMP-LETE MESS...

SINCE WE'VE DRUNK, LET'S DANCE!

HEYO, HEYO!

武藏春日站

Sign: Musashi Kasuga Train Station

SNORE...

ZZZ...

... THEY WON'T WAKE UP ANYTIME SOON...

武藏春日站

HOW'D WE APPROACH HIM CASU-ALLY?

HOW DO WE SEE MR. SHIMAZU'S FUTURE AT THIS RATE?

NOT ONLY THAT!

THERE'S NO NEED TO DRINK SO MUCH ...

IT'S A BIT STRANGE THEN...

Indeed...

WHO'LL COME ALL THE WAY HERE TO DO FORTUNE TELLING?

SHAA...

YOU'RE ...

AH ...

EXCUSE ME, ARE THERE ANY PROBLEMS?

HAHA HAHA ...

HA ...

SNORE ..

THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

ZZZ...

YEA! I'M SURPRISED TOO, WHAT A COIN-CIDENCE.

SUCH A COINCIDENCE, MEETING YOU HERE.

PINCH!

NO PROBLEM... REST HERE UNTIL THEY WAKE UP.

WE WERE OUT FOR A DRIVE, WE TRIED TO STOP THEM... BUT THEY WERE ALREADY DRUNK ... SUCH A HEADACHE.

AIYA... HAHA HAHA ...

?

WHY'D YOU SAY THAT?

... WELL, THIS COUNTS AS A SUCCESS ...

FINALLY MADE IT IN...

OKAY, WE'LL REST THEN...

I'M GONNA PATROL ... REST WELL!

HOW ABOUT SOME TEA?

...

THIS IS...

YES, IT'S DUE IN THE WINTER... ABOUT DECEMBER.

CONGRAT-ULATIONS!

... PREG-NANT?

YOUR HUSBAND MUST BE OVER-JOYED!

YES... HE SAYS THAT FOR THE CHILD, HE PREFERS THE QUIET COUNTRY LIFE OVER THE CITY.

HE EVEN JOKINGLY PRAISED THE DEMOTION!

THANK YOU...

AH... SORRY, THAT WAS SELF-INDULGENT ...

IT'S FINE...

IS IT ALRIGHT... IF I'M SO HAPPY...

HE ALWAYS PUTS THE FAMILY FIRST...

THIS HAPPINESS WILL, IN A MONTH...

KRR...

"TAP... TAP..."

AH...

...?

EEK!

MS. REIKO?

...?

WAIT... WHAT'RE YOU DOING?

SEE YA LATER!

FWIP

MS. REIKO?

AH, EH...

LET ME GO... I'M GOING HOME!

...?

YOU'RE LIKE A CHILD, WE CAME ALL THE WAY...

I WANNA GO HOME NOW!

I'M GOING HOME!

WHAT ARE YOU SAYING?

... I'M SCARED ...

BECOMING IMAGES IN MY MIND.

AND THEIR FEELINGS AND SUFFERING ...

...!?

DO YOU THINK... I DON'T FEEL ANY-THING?

...

SEEING PEOPLE'S CRUEL FUTURES ...

FEELING HIS EMOTIONS BEFORE DEATH... THAT PAIN...

I'D REALLY LIKE TO HELP TOO, BUT I'M SCARED...

MY HEART FEELS LIKE IT'S BREAKING APART!

...

HOW CAN I... NOT BE AFFECTED ...

MS. SU-JEONG!

... MS. REIKO ...

IS... SHE ALRIGHT?

...

WELL... IT'S ALRIGHT!

NO, YOUR BODY'S IMPOR-TANT.

NO, YOU CAN'T RUN NOW!

SHE'S PREGNANT ...

...?

SO... WE MUST SAVE MR. SHIMAZU NO MATTER WHAT...

NO ...

.... NO WAY ...

...

SAY... MAYBE IT'LL BE BETTER TO TAKE A STROLL ...

YOU'RE TOO STUB-BORN.

... NO ...

HOW'RE YOU FEELING? ANY DIS-COMFORT?

I'M OKAY, YOU SHOULD REST!

THUMP...

THUMP...

THUMP...

THUMP...

SHOUGO...

THUMP...

SHOUGO!?

THUMP...

THUMP...

SHOUGO!?

DONG

DONG

THUMP...

THUMP...

AHH

...

THUMP...

AHHHH

...

AHHHH...

AHH ...

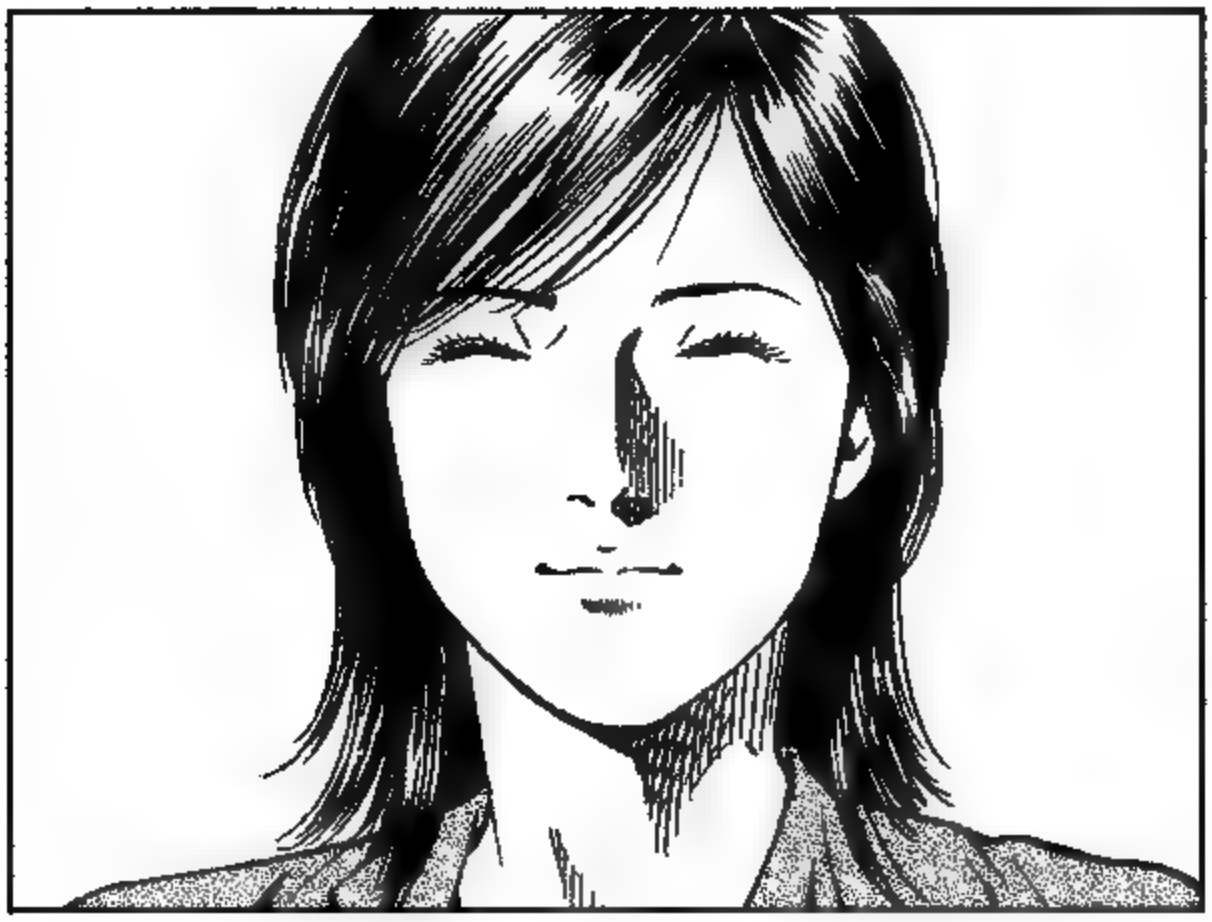
WHAT'S WRONG?

MS. REIKO?

REI...

THE FESTIVAL ...

ON THE NIGHT OF THE FESTIVAL!



Chapter 179 The Future of A Smile

GREAT NAP!

HWA HHH ...

AM I HERE?

WHY ...

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CRACK CRACK

YOU'RE AWAKE? MR. SAEBA.

SHOUGO, YOU BACK!

NO IDEA ...

How'd I get here?

YOU'RE ALONE? WHERE ARE THE OTHERS?

MM...? AH... MR... SHIMAZU?

... YA... IS MS. REIKO FEELING UNWELL?

I'M DONE FOR THE DAY, SHALL WE GO THERE TOO?

...

MM, I ASKED HER TO REST BUT SHE INSISTED ON GOING FOR A STROLL...

SO YOU TOLD HER THE WAY TO THE RIVER... IT'S COMFORTABLE BY THE RIVER BANK.

... AH?

...

ON THE DAY OF THE FESTIVAL?

THE MOTION OF THE GEARS... WILL NOT ALTER...

...

KNOWING THE DATE IS A GREAT HELP!

WITH THIS IN MIND, WE'LL BE ABLE TO PROTECT MR. SHIMAZU BETTER!

REGARDLESS OF WHAT WE DO... THE FUTURE WON'T CHANGE

...

MS. REIKO

...

...

HOW CAN YOU SAY THAT? SINCE WE KNOW WHEN IT'LL HAPPEN

...

LIKE THAT DAY... DIDN'T WE CHANGE THE FUTURE?

... YES ...

... BUT ...

THAT WAS A FIRST FOR ME TOO...

THEN WE CAN DEFINITELY CHANGE THE FUTURE!

IF WE'VE STOPPED CATASTROPHES IN THE PAST ...

WHEN I HELD YOUR HAND THEN, I SAW...

YOU STOPPED THE ACCIDENT!

YOU'VE STARTED THE OPERATION TO SAVE MR. SHIMAZU!

DON'T YOU UNDER-STAND?

SO THIS TIME...

MEETING YOU, I FOUND THAT THE FUTURE CAN CHANGE... I'M SURPRISED TOO.

!!

BUT EVEN NOW!

THAT SCENE... PROVES HE CAN'T LIVE ON...

JUST LIKE THEN...

THE FUTURE I SAW... HASN'T CHANGED! HE'S STILL DEAD!

GET IT? ... OUR ACTIONS ARE USELESS!

SO... ISN'T THIS A NICE PLACE?

AS LONG AS YOU'VE NO REGRETS, IT'S A GOOD PLACE TO FORGET ABOUT THE CITY ...

YOU'RE RIGHT ...

FISHING HERE RIGHT AFTER WORK IS UNIMAGIN-ABLE IN THE CITY.

MM... YEA...

CHECKING IF I'VE ANY REGRETS ...

UNDER CHIEF NOGAMI'S ORDERS ...

?

DID YOU JUST COME TO SEE ME?

?!

CHIEF WORRIES TOO MUCH ...

MM... ABOUT THAT...

I MYSELF ...

... REG-RETS?

DO YOU REALLY HAVE NO ...

DON'T YOU THINK... SOMEONE WHO CAN'T PROTECT THE WOMEN AND CHILD HE LOVES...

CAN BE A GOOD POLICE-MAN?

SO I'VE NEVER THOUGHT OTHERWISE ...

THINK THAT THE FOREMOST JOB OF THE POLICE IS TO PROTECT THE SAFETY OF THE PEOPLE... I WANNA BE SUCH A POLICEMAN.

I WANNA BE A POLICEMAN WHO PROTECTS OTHERS... THAT'S ALL ...

IF I HAD CHOSEN THE PROMOTION AND ABANDONED HER... I WOULDN'T BE MYSELF... I TRY TO BE TRUE TO MYSELF.

I'M TOUCHED ... YOU HAVE THE QUALITIES TO BE CITY HUNTER.

AH ...

...

ER ...?

SEESH, CAN'T CATCH ANYTHING, LET'S GO!

... LOOK ...

CAN YOU STOP IT?

I SAW THAT FUTURE THIS MORNING ...

MR. SAEBA WILL SLIP AND FALL INTO THE RIVER.

BE CARE-FUL!

PAPA! THAT ROCK'S SLIPPERY!

HUH ...?

HAH!

BO

WOO..♡
WOO!

MM?

!!

EVEN IN THIS PLACE, SUCH A PRETTY ...

...

...
THAT'S HOW IT IS...

UWAHH!

SFX: splash!!!

BECAUSE THIS IS AN UNCHANGE-ABLE FUTURE...

IT'S SEEMINGLY CHANGEABLE, BUT HE STILL FELL IN THE END, ALBEIT WITH SOME DIFFERENCES ...

SO... I HATE BEING ABLE TO SEE THE MISERABLE FUTURE...

ALAS... I ALONE CAN'T CHANGE ANYTHING!

AT FIRST, I'LL GIVE ENDLESS CAUTIONS, ATTEMPT TO CHANGE THE FUTURE!

I'VE SEEN TOO MUCH OF PEOPLE'S MISFOR-TUNE!

BUT ...

...

EVENTUALLY, I GAVE UP... I STOPPED TRYING TO CHANGE THE FUTURE THAT'S SET IN STONE...

ONLY HE WHO PERSISTS AGAINST ALL ODDS, SURVIVES!

ON THE BATTLEFIELD, HE WHO SEES NO HOPE, PERISHES!

IT'S ALL OVER IF YOU GIVE UP!

PLEASE... LET ME BE ALONE... I'M TIRED ...

...

THAT'S HOW I'VE COME THIS FAR! I'M NOT GIVING UP!

OH YA... IF YOU'RE FREE, COME AGAIN NEXT WEEK?

I HEARD IT'LL BE VERY LIVELY ...

WHAT ...

THERE'LL BE A FESTIVAL HERE!

I ABSOLUTELY LOVE JAPANESE FESTIVALS!

I'LL DEFINITELY BE HERE NEXT WEEK!

...

FESTIVAL!

HE WAS HERE A MINUTE AGO...

...
PAPA
...

PAPA, CAN I?

...

HERE... MR. SHIMAZU ... LOSES HIS LIFE..

IT'S USELESS ... UTTERLY USELESS ...

NO MATTER WHAT I DO ...

I SHOULDN'T BE ABLE TO SEE ANYTHING ...

AM I MAD? PRESCIENCE FROM OBJECTS IS IMPOS-SIBLE...

SINCE WHEN ...

SEEING OTHERS' MISFORTUNE, IT'S NOT YOUR FAULT.

WHY'RE YOU BLAMING YOUR-SELF?

!

LEAVE THE REST... TO US CITY HUNTERS!

... SUCH WEIRD FATHER AND DAUGHTER ...

I CAN SEE A BIT OF YOUR FUTURE ... ALWAYS SMILING ANYTIME ANYWHERE...

STRANGE ...

I JUST CAN'T FIGURE THE YOU OF TWO OUT ...

THOUGH I CAN SEE THE FUTURE ...

...

ALL'S LOST IF YOU GIVE UP ...

THOUGH I DON'T FULLY BELIEVE IT...

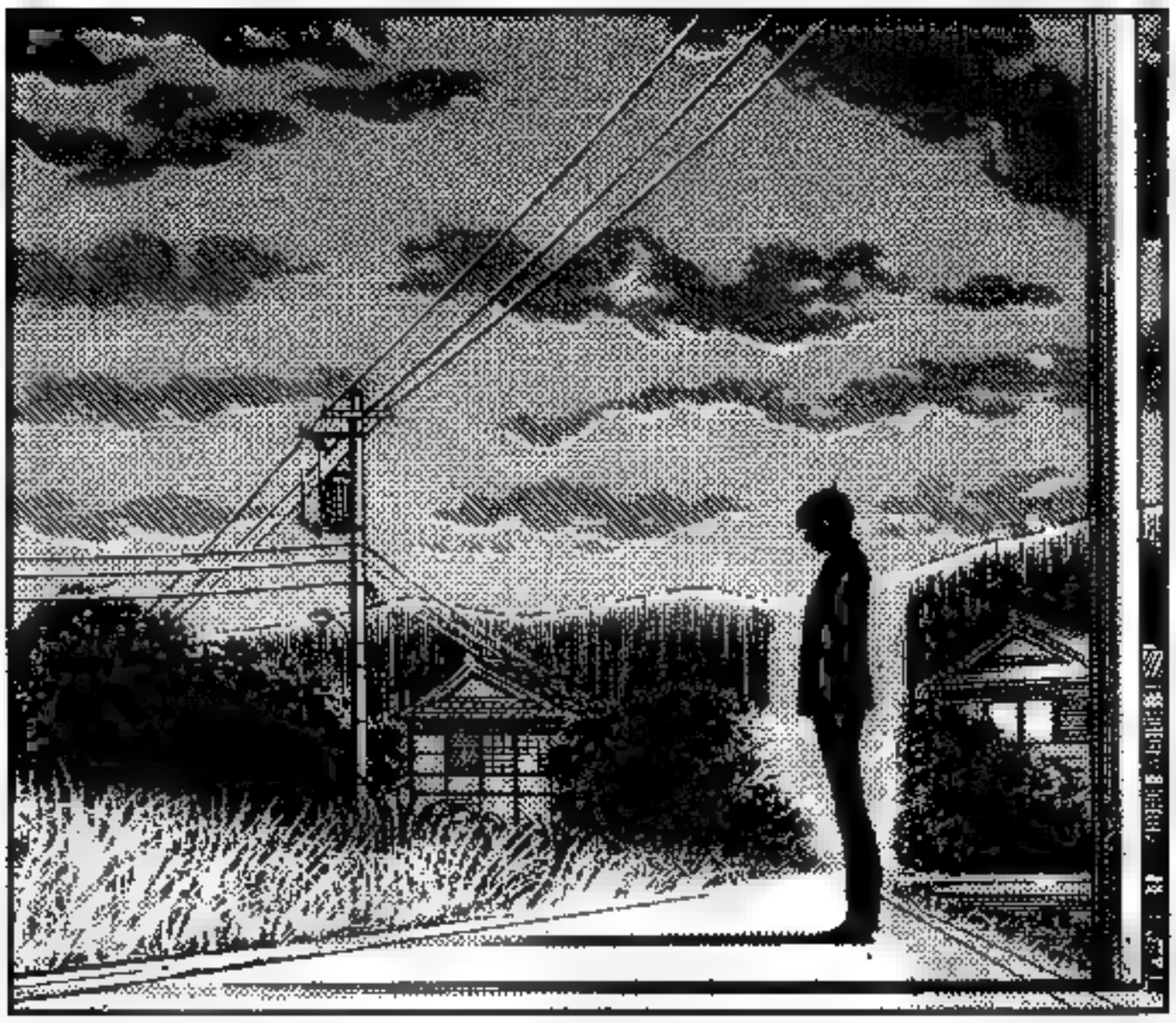
IS BECAUSE YOU'VE ALWAYS SUCCEEDED IN WHAT YOU DO...

THAT SMILE ...

IT'S THEIR SMILES THAT KEEP ME SMILING ...

I'M NOT BOASTING, I CAN ALWAYS MAKE MY CLIENTS SMILE AGAIN.

RIGHT NOW, I WANT TO BELIEVE IN YOUR SMILE...



DONG! DONG! DONG!

DONG! DONG! DONG!

ON FESTIVE DAYS LIKE THIS, EVERYONE'S OUT AND ABOUT.

IT'S COMMON FOR CRIMINALS TO ACT DURING THIS TIME.

I HEARD THAT RECENTLY THERE'S A FOREIGN CRIMINAL GROUP THAT'S VERY ACTIVE IN RURAL TOWNS LIKE THIS.

DONG!

DONG!

MAYBE... MR. SHIMAZU WILL BE KILLED BY ONE OF THEM...

SHIN-HON, IF YOU DON'T FIND ANYTHING BY DUSK, COME BACK HERE AND KEEP AN EYE OUT.

I'LL PATROL WITH SHIMAZU.

OK!

IF THEY ARE THE MOST LIKELY KILLERS ...

COUNT ME IN!

LET'S TARGET THE CRIMINAL GROUPS!

ALRIGHT! WE MUSTN'T LET SHIMAZU OR THE KILLERS NEAR THIS PLACE!

Chapter 180 Intertwined Fate

SINCE SAEKO ASKED ME, I NEEDA MAKE SURE YOU'RE SERIOUS WITH YOUR JOB!

-MY wife's bicycle-

... YOUR CURIOSITY ...

IT'S RARE TO SEE A FESTIVAL, BUT YOU'RE PATROLLING WITH ME...

HEHE HE...

DONG!

DONG!

WHAT-EVER!

... IF MS. REIKO DOESN'T SHOW UP...

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HEY... SLOW DOWN... MINE CAN'T GO THAT FAST!

...
THAT'S A PITY ...

...

DONG! DONG!

DONG! DONG!

SINCE SHE SAID WE CAN'T SAVE MR. SHIMAZU NO MATTER WHAT WE DO, SHE DOESN'T WANT TO WITNESS THE TRAGEDY...

DONG!

YOU'RE RIGHT ...

WITNESS US CHANGING THE FUTURE ...

BECAUSE SHE CAN'T ...

WOBBLE... WOBBLE...

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…AT MY LIMIT…

I'M…

DONG!

DONG!

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THERE'RE TOO MANY PEOPLE …

DONG!

THOUGH I WANT TO FIND THE PERSON WHO'LL KILL MR. SHIMAZU …

I MUST RESERVE SOME STAMINA, OR I WOULDN'T MAKE IT THROUGH!

Sign: Wine

VARIOUS FUTURES ARE FLOODING MY MIND… IT'S GONNA EXPLODE …

DONG!

DONG!

YOU DARE SAY!

I'M MORE RELAXED ALONE, NO PROBLEM!

I'VE REACHED THE PREDICTED MURDER LOCATION.

...SHANIN.

YOU REALLY DON'T NEED ME?

I KNOW!

DON'T PUSH YOURSELF... I'M NOT THERE TO BACKUP!

!

IS DIFFERENT FROM THE ONE IN FRONT!

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THIS CAR PLATE...

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DON'T TELL ME THIS CAR...

!!

...

...

!!

...?

HUH ...?

SHIN-HON, I'M HANGING UP!

GUN AT THE CHEST...

AH... EXCUSE ME.

HEY... LOOK WHERE YOU'RE GOING!

!!

DID YOU DROP THIS?

WHO'RE YOU?

AHH...

WOO...

THERE'S ONE MORE!

SFX: [Gun Shot]

HAVEN'T I BEEN MAINTAIN-ING IT?

IT'S JAMMED!

NO WAY!

SFX: [Gunshot]

GOOD AIM... ARE THEY FROM THE ARMY?

SFX: [Bullet Ricochet]

HMPH!

WHY NOW ...

I'LL GET YOU!

SFX: Psst... [Tire Flattening]

AYE! HOW CAN BOTH GO AT ONCE?

PUNC-TURED TIRE?

THERE'S A BIKE KIOSK UP AHEAD.

AH! AH! AH!

AH?

PSSTT...

OK... TROUBLE ...

I'LL CHECK IF THE BOSS IS AROUND, YOU CAN GET THE TIRES CHECKED THERE.

MR. SAEBA, IT'S DANGEROUS HERE!

SHI-MAZU ...

FIRE-WORKS ...

NO, THOSE WERE GUN SHOTS!

WHY'D THE TIRES HAVE TO BLOW NOW!

DAMN!

THAT WAY'S HEADING TO...

... THE PREDICTED MURDER LOCATION!

HEE HEE

THAT GUY... IT'S AS IF HE KNOWS THAT WAY: HE'S CHARGING TOWARDS THE MURDER LOCATION!

WHAT?

MR. SHIMAZU IS HEADING TO MY LOCATION!

SHIN-HON, LATER!

SHANIN!

ALONE? WHERE'S PAPA?

MR. SAEBA JUST CALLED! MR. SHIMAZU'S COMING ALONE!

!!

JAMMED?

You're kidding!

I TRIED TO STOP HIM, BUT MY GUN JAMMED...

NO WAY!

Hah!

HIS BICYCLE TIRES ARE FLAT!

Hah!

WH... WHAT?

NO GOOD! THE KILLER'S COMING THIS WAY TOO!

I'M USING HIS ACCOMPLICE'S GUN, BUT IT'S A LOUSY ONE!

AS IF ALL HAS BEEN PREDETERMINED... SOMETHING'S ATTRACTING EVERYONE... HERE!

WHY ARE ALL THESE IMPOSSIBLE THINGS HAPPENING NOW?

DON'T TELL ME...

THERE'S NO WAY TO PREVENT IT!

PIERO IS HEADING THERE TOO...!

THOSE'RE DEFINITELY GUNSHOTS!

BANG

BANG

WHERE WAS IT?

FIREWORKS STARTED, CAN'T TELL THEM APART ANYMORE...

BANG

BANG

BANG

BANG

CLICK

Chapter 181 The Man Who Changed the Future

A GUNSHOT

...

IT'S COMING FROM THERE...

Twitch

Step

THE KILLER COMES FROM THIS DIRECTION!

HE'S HERE!

FIREWORKS!

IT'S DAN-GEROUS HERE!

THE KILLER IS HEADING HERE!

WOOO, IT'S YOU... DON QUIXOTE, YOUNG MAN, THE FOOL WHO CHALLENGES FATE!

MS. REIKO, WHY'RE YOU HERE?

YOU'RE... DRUNK AGAIN?

AHAHAHA... IT'S FANTASTIC! FANTASTIC!

YAY! FIRE-WORKS!

...

GEEZ!

DON'T MOVE!

EH ...!

... AH!

AH...

WOMAN! THROW DA GUN OVER HERE, AND COME OUT!

H"

OR I'LL KILL HER!

KILL

STAY THERE!

AND YOU TOO!

H"

THROW DA GUN INTA DA FIELD, AND KNEEL ON DA ROAD!

THAT WOMAN WOULD CHARGE AT ME IF I MAKE DA SLIGHTEST MISTAKE...

...

DAMN! WHO'RE YOU PEOPLE? THAT KILLING INTENT AIN'T NORMAL!

...

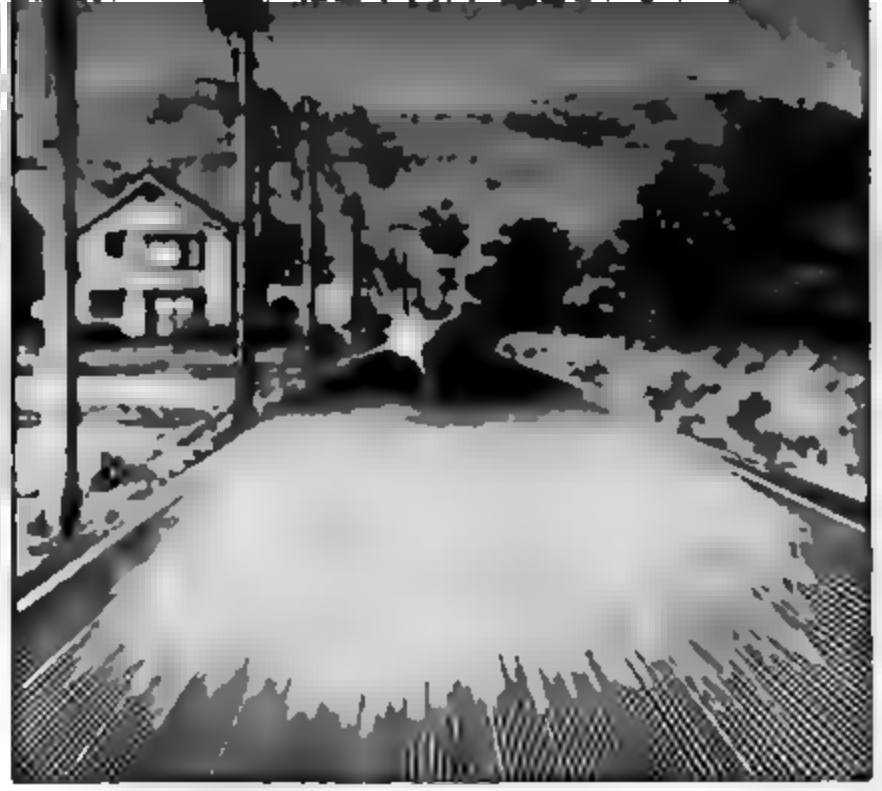
NO ONE MOVES TILL I DISAPPEAR! WHEN I'M OUTTA YA SIGHT, I'LL RELEASE HER!

STAY STILL! I'LL KNOW EVEN IF YOU FLINCH!

I AIN'T WANNA GET INVOLVED WITH YA!

...BEFORE MR. SHIMAZU ARRIVES! I'LL DEFINITELY SAVE MS. REIKO LATER!

GOOD! GET AWAY FROM HERE QUICK!



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MR... SHIMAZU!
POLICE! WHAT'RE YOU DOING THERE?

TSK!

A COP!
I'M TOO FAR FROM THE SUSPECT, BUT... IF I'M CARELESS... MS. REIKO'LL BE IN DANGER...

THE GEARS WON'T STOP

NO ONE CAN STOP IT

...

DON'T TELL ME...

MS. REIKO!

REI...

...

SH... SHUT UP!

...

... CAN'T CHANGE...

THIS PERSON'S FUTURE REALLY CAN'T BE CHANGED RIGHT?

... I UNDER-STAND...

YOU SHUT UP!

NO ONE CAN CHANGE IT!

DAMN!

THIS VOICE... WHAT'RE SHIN-HON AND MS. REIKO DOING THERE...

YA BLOODY COP!

!?

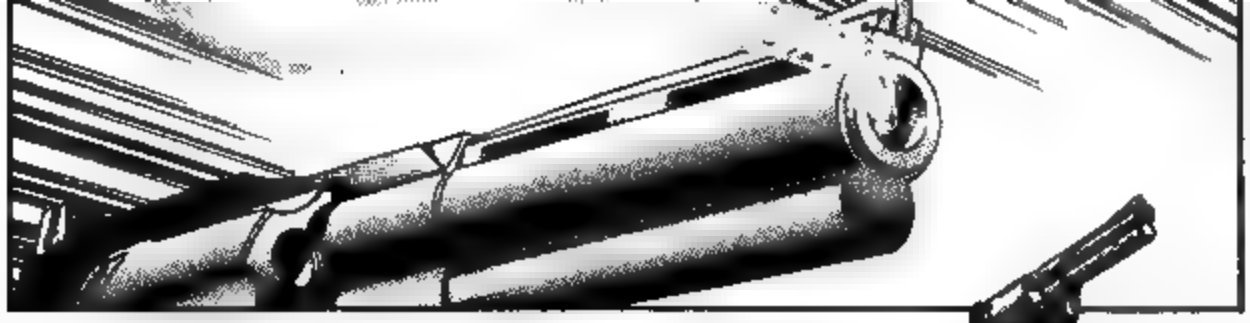
KUH!

SHIN-
HON!

!!

DAMMIT!

HOW DARE YOU FIRE AT SHIN-HON!



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YOUNG MAN...

SHIN-
HON!

FOR
MR SHIMAZU,
HE...

I... I'M FINE... JUST GOT HIT ON... MY SHOULDER...

YOUNG MAN!

UWAH...

HE'S JUST FAINTED! HIT HIS HEAD ON THE GROUND.

GEEZ, YOU'RE TOO RECKLESS!

SHIN-HON!

MR. SHIMAZU ...

HEHE... HE...

... HOW CAN I DIE?

REALLY... LUCKILY YOU'RE FINE, BUT HE COULD'VE KILLED YOU!

MS. REIKO... HAS SEEN MY FUTURE...

TEN YEARS' TIME... I'LL BE DUMPED BY YOU... SO... I'LL BE FINE... EVEN IF I TAKE A BULLET FOR MR. SHIMAZU... THE FUTURE WOULDN'T CHANGE... SO... I WOULDN'T DIE...

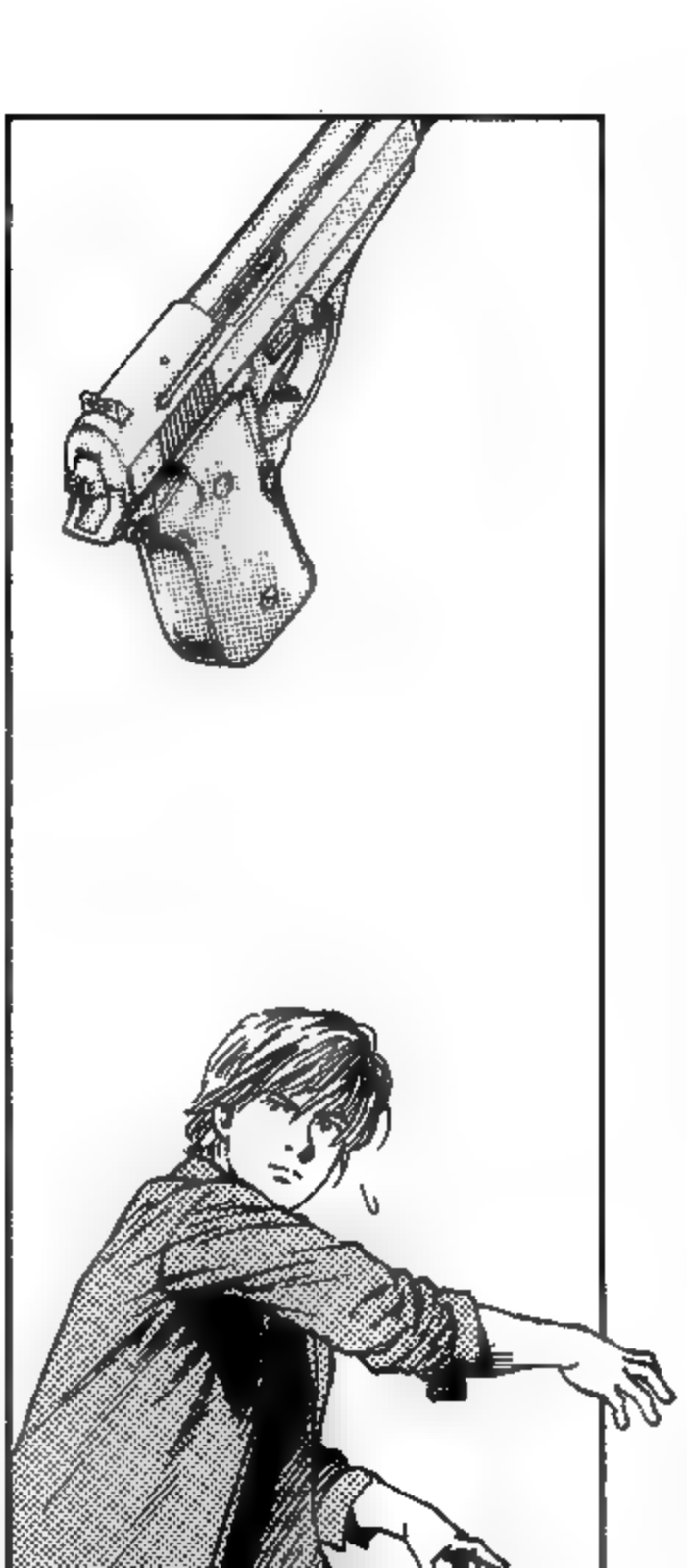
YOU'RE CRAZY!

BUT...

YOUR IDIOTIC, RECKLESS BEHAVIOUR...

CHANGED MR. SHIMAZU'S FUTURE,

AND CREATED A MIRACLE.



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FATE HAS REALLY BEEN CHANGED ..

THE FUTURE..

北武蔵消防署救急隊

North Musashi Civil Rescue Squad

THOSE CHILDREN CREATED A MIRACLE...

...

EVEN SACRIFICING THEIR LIVES FOR THE SAKE OF OTHERS... WHY?

TRY SO HARD...

WHY DID THEY...

Kenya General Hospital

HE JUST HURT PROTECTING ME— I'M SO USELESS! IT SHOULD'VE BEEN ME PROTECTING HIM...
BUT SHIN-HON...
HURT?
THAT'S A RELIEF...
I JUST HIT MY HEAD GETTING A CHECK-UP JUST IN CASE

FROM BEING KILLED...

MAYBE TRYING TO PROTECT ME...

IN RETROSPECT, IT'S LIKE THEY WERE KEEPING AN EYE ON ME...

THEIR ACTIONS SEEMED... FISHY SINCE THE BEGINNING.

...?

HE'S LUCKY TO BE LIKE THIS!

THOUGH HE NEEDS REST, IT'S A RELIEF THERE WON'T BE ANY SEQUELAE.

JUST BECAUSE HE'S DESTINED NOT TO DIE, HE TOOK THE BULLET FOR MR. SHIMAZU...

HE MIGHT HAVE LOST HIS LIFE!

THE SURGERY IS FINALLY OVER.

BY THE WAY, THE SUSPECT HAS BEEN ARRESTED, BUT IS IT ALRIGHT?

... I CAN'T EVEN LAUGH!

HAHA HA...

HIS ACTIONS MIGHT HAVE SAVED MR. SHIMAZU'S LIFE, BUT HE COULD HAVE LOST HIS OWN IN EXCHANGE... HAS HE NOT THOUGHT OF THAT... IDIOT!

I'LL TAKE 'EM OUT IF THEY DARE TO TALK ABOUT US. THEY GOT SCARED HEARING CITY HUNTER'S NAME.

...

I GAVE THEM A STERN WARNING.

WILL HE TELL THE POLICE ABOUT US HAVING GUNS?

... MR. SHIMAZU!

I JUST CAN'T FIGURE THEM OUT...

YOU SHOULD'VE SEEN THEIR FACES.

...

W-WAIT, I DON'T UNDER-STAND!

YOU'RE SAYING YOU KNEW I'D BE KILLED?

...

THEY REALLY WERE TRYING TO PROTECT YOU.

ACTUALLY ...

THOUGH I'VE ALWAYS THOUGHT IT WAS IMPOS-SIBLE...

PREDICT THE FUTURE?

DO YOU BELIEVE THAT I CAN...

THAT'S WHY I DIDN'T DARE TO TELL YOU INITIALLY.

...

CAN YOU PLEASE TELL ME...

...THEN...

FOOLISH GUY...

YOU'RE SUCH A...

OF YOUR STRONG FEELINGS TOWARDS EACH OTHER...

I'M VERY AWARE ...

...

BECAUSE YOU SAW OUR TRAGIC FUTURE...

YOU OPPOSED OUR MARRIAGE ...

I SHOULDN'T HAVE DONE THIS,

SORRY.

IT'LL BE USELESS TO OPPOSE, SO WE CAN ONLY TRY TO CHANGE DESTINY...

SO THAT'S WHY...

... DIE. YOU WOULDN'T HAVE A FUTURE...

MY ORIGINAL TRAGIC FATE... WAS TO BE SHOT BY THAT GUY AND...

DIE...

TO... PREVENT THIS, YOU GUYS...

SHIN-HON JUMPED IN TO...

I ASKED THEM...

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WHY'D HE DO THAT?

THIS VERY QUESTION ...

WE'VE NOT KNOWN EACH OTHER FOR LONG... WE'RE ALMOST STRANGERS...

CHANGED IT AND SURVIVED!

HER HEART FAILED AND SHE HAD TO UNDERGO A TRANSPLANT TO SURVIVE.

...

SHIN-HON, TOO, HAS FOUGHT AGAINST HIS DESTINY IN ORDER TO LIVE ON.

THEY BOTH FACED THEIR DESTINY BRAVELY TO OBTAIN THEIR CURRENT VICTORIES.

THEIR RESISTANCE AGAINST FATE WILL CONTINUE ON.

SO THEY HOPED THAT YOU, WHO HAVE GIVEN UP, WOULD REDISCOVER YOUR DETERMINATION.

THEY HOPED THAT THESE TWO PEOPLE WOULD OBTAIN HAPPINESS TOO.

AND THEY COULDN'T ABANDON THE SHIMAZU COUPLE, WHO LEFT THEIR PEACEFUL LIVES AND STARTED ANEW.

IT WAS... FOR ME...

TRULY ADMIRABLE...

I'VE BEEN TAUGHT A GOOD LESSON BY THEM...

AT LEAST THE HANDIWORK PUT INTO IT WILL NOT BE WASTED...

THE FUTURE... DESTINY CAN BE CHANGED.

SEEING TOO VIVIDLY CAUSED ME TO MISS THE ESSENCE OF THE MATTER...

...I...

WE CAN NEVER REPAY ...

THIS KINDNESS ...

HOW... CAN I SHOW MY GRATITUDE ...

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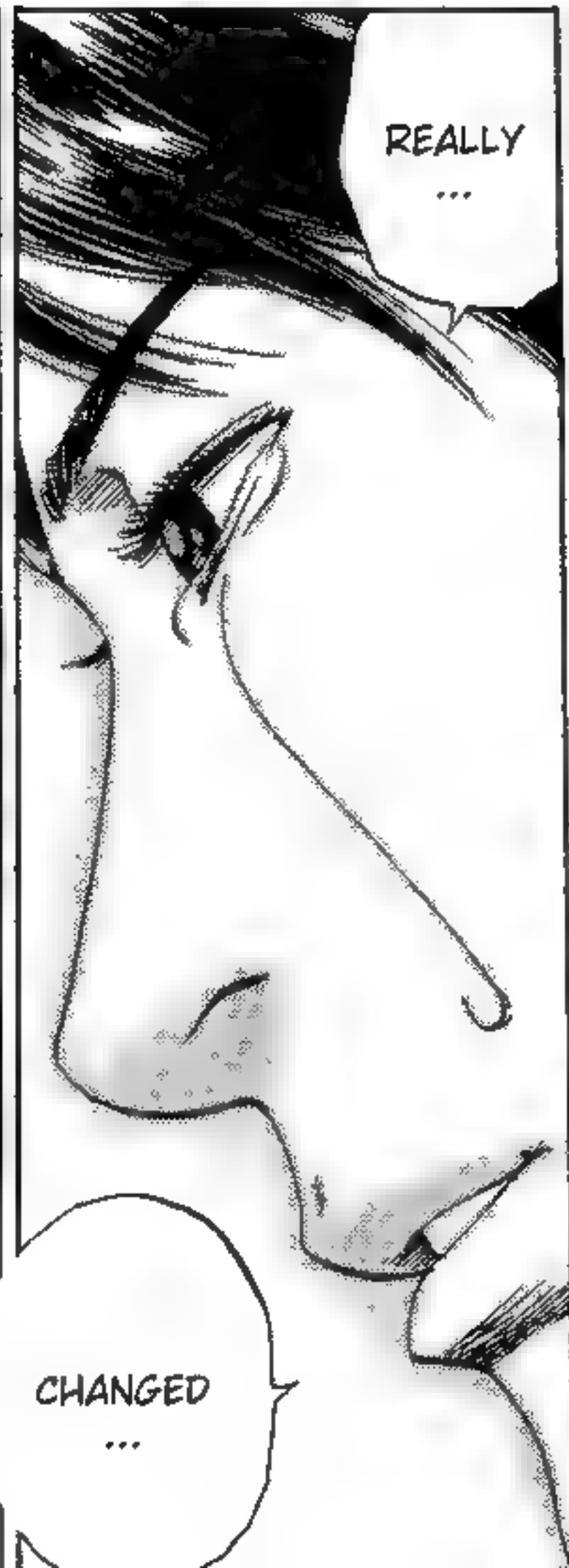
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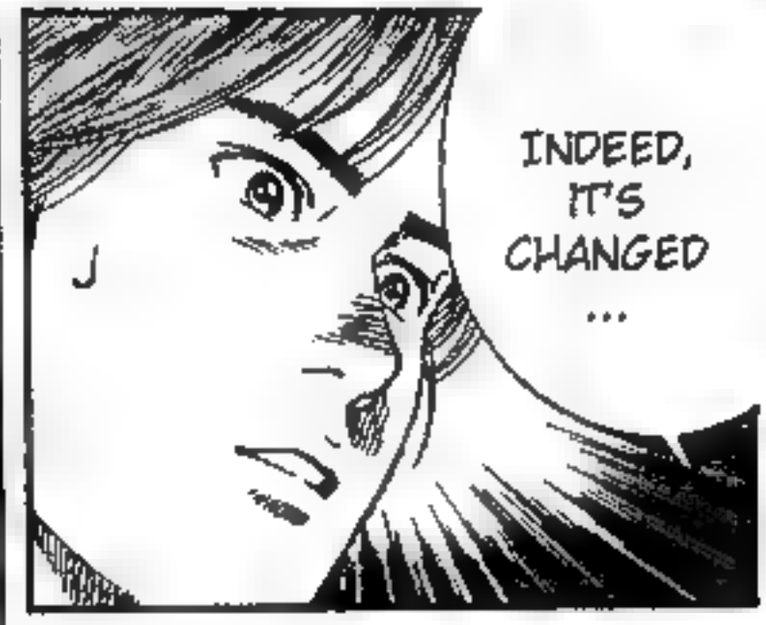
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INDEED, IT'S CHANGED
...

DESTINY... HAS BEEN CHANGED!
I SAW A BRAND-NEW FUTURE...

CHANGED
...

OUR FUTURES...

MY...

BUT... YOU MUSTN'T RELAX.

PLEASE REMEMBER, AS A COUPLE, TO CONTINUE TO CREATE YOUR OWN FUTURE!

THE FUTURE'S SOMETHING YOU HAVE TO FIGHT TO CHANGE! FORCE YOUR WAY!

THIS WILL BE THE BEST RECIPROCATION FOR THEM.

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RIDICULOUS!

I SKIPPED SCHOOL JUST TO COME HERE ...

DUE TO PERSONAL REASONS, THIS MARRIAGE FORTUNE TELLING STORE WILL BE CLOSED INDEFINITELY...

EH, IT'S SO SUDDEN!

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EVERYTHING... SEEMS FINE...

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THEN... WHAT CAUSED IT TO BE JAMMED THEN?

HMM ...

I'VE CHECKED IT REPEATEDLY, BUT THERE'RE NO PROBLEMS.

THE POWER OF FATE...

EVEN AFTER DISMANTLING AND INSPECTING IT, NOTHING'S WRONG.

MAYBE IT WAS LIKE AN UNSTOPPABLE FLOOD, PREVENTING ANY CHANGE...

THE STRENGTH OF PREDESTINED FATE...

IN FACT, IT'S VERY DIFFICULT TO CHANGE FATE.

?...

...

BUT WE DID CHANGE IT... SO THERE'S NO NEED TO EXAGGERATE IT!

Show him some mercy...

I... KNOW.

IF YOU'RE STILL SO RASH IN THE FUTURE, YOU'LL DIE!

THE PRICE OF CHANGING MR. SHIMAZU'S FATE, MIGHT HAVE WELL BEEN YOUR LIFE!

HI EVERY ONE!

TODAY, I'VE COME TO BID FAREWELL!

I'VE DECIDED TO LEAVE TOKYO!

MMM!

MISS REIKO... WHAT'RE YOU...

!!

THERE'RE TOO MANY PEOPLE HERE... I'D LIKE TO FIND A MORE TRANQUIL PLACE...

I'M NOT RUNNING AWAY... IT'S JUST TOO HARD TO QUIT DRINKING HERE.

I'LL FIND A GOOD MAN, REGARDLESS OF HIS FUTURE, I'LL HAVE HIM!

I WON'T BE SINGLE FOREVER!

I CAN HELP YOU SEE YOUR FUTURE.

WAIT! I'D LIKE TO THANK YOU BEFORE I LEAVE...

...?

MR. SAEBA, SHIN-HON AND THE REST ARE WORRIED ABOUT YOUR FUTURE, WISHING YOU'LL HAVE A HOPEFUL ONE.

DON'T YOU WANT PEACE OF MIND? I THINK THIS IS THE BEST GIFT OF GRATITUDE.

KNOWING IN ADVANCE WILL LET YOU FIND A WAY OUT OF IT!

EVEN IF... THE FUTURE IS UNFORTUNATE ...

THE FUTURE CAN BE CHANGED ... YOU TAUGHT ME THAT...

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PLEASE GO AHEAD THEN... MS REIKO.

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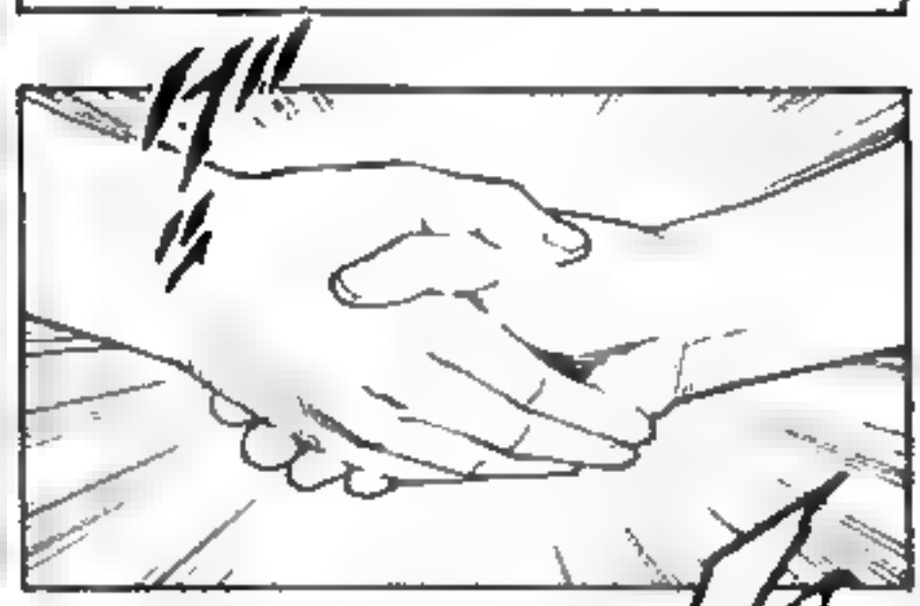

INDEED .... SUCH A HAZY FUTURE ...

THE NEAR FUTURE IS IMPOSSIBLE, BUT I CAN MAKE OUT THE FAR FUTURE.

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IT'S LIKE A BLANK NOTE BOOK ....

!

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SHINJUKU STATION?

THIS IS LIKE PEEKING AT AN INFANT'S FUTURE...

IT'S NOT WORKING ...

MAYBE HER FUTURE DOESN'T HAVE A SET DIRECTION...

POSSESSING MANY POSSIBILITIES ...

THERE ARE TOO MANY CHOICES IN THE FUTURE ...

THAT'S RIGHT ... SHE'S LIKE AN INFANT ...

THIS PLACE?

?

SHINJUKU CENTRAL PARK...

CITY...

WAH!

!

AH...

WHERE'RE YOU GOING?

WAIT!

THIS CHILD IS...

HAHA... CAUGHT YOU!

WHERE'RE YOUR PARENTS?

HEY KID... ARE YOU ALONE?

YUP!

DID YOU SAY HI TO THAT LAD?

MAMA

MAMA!

SHIN-CHAN.

IT'S BEEN A WHILE! WERE YOU SURPRISED?

WHO'RE YOU....

HOW'RE YOU? SHANIN...

IT'S ME!?

...
THAT' CHILD... IS MINE...
THAT... WAS THE FUTURE... ME!

... MISS REIKO.

MISS REIKO...

I HAVE A CHILD...

I...
I...

...YOU

YOU WOULD BE... THE ONE HE SENT TO GUIDE ME.

YOU GIVE ME HOPE TILL THE END... IF THERE REALLY IS A GOD...

WHO ARE YOU ...

IN THE END... I DIDN'T HELP AT ALL.

... NO WAY!

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YOU FLATTER ME... MISS REIKO.

NO... I'M SERIOUS, THANK YOU!

SIGN. LONG DISTANCE COACH STOP

MMM... GOOD BYE!

WELL, SHANIN... FAREWELL!

WILL DEFINITELY MEET AGAIN... SHANIN.

WE...

Show him some mercy...

Chapter 184: It's Hard Being A Father

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I HAVE TO ATTEND MIKI'S SCHOOL OPEN DAY?!
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...

IT'S FINE... BUT WHY?

CAN'T YOU GO... OR DO YOU NOT WANT TO?

PLEASE ...

WHY WOULD I NOT WANT TO?

EVEN THE SCHOOL AUTHORITY... ADVISED ME AGAINST IT...

I WANT TO GO... BUT I CAN'T!

...

DID YOU MESS UP?

WHAT ...

TRUTH IS... ON THE DAY OF MIKI'S ENTRANCE CEREMONY.

ER ...

I'M YOUR SHINJUKU PRIMARY SCHOOL'S ...

ER

HELLO BOYS AND GIRLS

PRINCIPAL MISTER MIYAMOTO

BOYS AND GIRLS PLEASE KEEP QUIET

ER .

BRE-ATHE

EHEM!

KEEP QUIET!!

WELCOME

COLLAPSE

...??

THE PRINCIPAL'S SPEECH...

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LISTEN CAREFULLY!

SO SCARY!

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WAHH!

WOO, MUMMY!

...

WOO

I WAS... PART OF THE MARINES, SO...

I THINK... I OVERDID IT...

ER...

AH... EH...

ER...

WOO...

...

WOO...

WHOSE DADDY IS THAT MONSTER?

SCARY, HE'S A MURDERER.

A SOLDIER?

AH SCARY!

HA HA HA...

WOO...

WOO...

YOU'VE BEEN BANNED FROM THE SCHOOL COMPOUND...

SO,

ALL THE KIDS IN CLASS ARE AFRAID OF BEING HER FRIEND.

MIKI... WAS ALSO SHUNNED BY HER CLASSMATES.

BUT FORTUNATELY, FALCON'S IMAGE WAS STRONG, SO SHE WASN'T BEING BULLIED.

B'COS... THE STUDENTS KNOW FALCON'S HER FATHER.

ER...

...

IF I CONTINUE TO...

I'M BACK!

FREQUENT THE SCHOOL, MIKI'LL FIND IT EVEN HARDER TO MAKE FRIENDS...

AH... WELCOME BACK... MIKI!

CATS EYE

HEHEHE!

HELLO!

MR. SAEBA, MS. SHANIN, YOU'RE BOTH HERE!

SO I'D LIKE SOMEONE ELSE TO GO FOR THE OPEN DAY...

HI... YOU'RE QUITE LATE TODAY!

FALCON, DON'T FORGET TOMORROW'S OPEN DAY!

AH... OF COURSE!

I WAS PLAYING WITH MY FRIENDS, THAT'S WHY I'M LATE!

!

YOU MUST COME!

...

I CAN'T STAND THIS! I WANNA CARRY HER BURDEN!

SHE'S ACTING FINE SO WE DON'T WORRY.

...

SO...
PITIFUL...

PLEASE, SHANIN! HELP MIKI OUT!

ME?

UMIBOUZU!

B'COS OF A FATHER LIKE ME, MIKI'S...

DON'T CRY, IT'S EMBAR-RASSING!

... SO THAT'S IT!

THAT'S THE ADVICE OF THE HOMEROOM TEACHER.

B'COS, IF ON OPEN DAY, A HANDSOME GUY OR PRETTY LADY IS THE PARENT, THE CHILD WILL BE VERY POPULAR IN CLASS.

BIG BROTHER...

MIKI HAS SUCH GOOD LOOKING BIG BROTHER AND SISTER...

IT'S JUST BOASTING TO THE STUDENTS IN CLASS!

WHO'D YOU SAY WAS THE ELDER BROTHER?

You're just a big pervert!

YOU DON'T NEED TO GO!

ALRIGHT... I'LL HELP OUT... AS THE HANDSOME ELDER BROTHER ...

BUT...

YOU'RE NOT GOING!

CHILDREN LIKE MUMMIES WITH LONG HAIR AND PRETTY BIG SISTERS! A MAN WOULD JUST CREATE AN OPPOSITE EFFECT!

WHY... I'M JUST TRYING TO HELP...

YES... BUT IS IT ALRIGHT FOR ME TO GO...

SHANIN, CAN I ENTRUST THIS TO YOU?

...

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TSK... I HATE KIDS ANYWAYS! WHO CARES!

...

YOU'RE THE MOST SUITABLE! I'LL LEAVE IT TO YOU!

Hmph. was more surted

THE FOLLOWING DAY

YEAR 1 CLASS 3

... TODAY, MANY VILLAGERS STILL CAME.

WOW! SO PRETTY!

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... AH.... LOOK...

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A DANGEROUS DISEASE SPREADS THROUGH THE VILLAGE, MEDICINE WAS...

I GUESS THIS IS WORKING...

SEEMS LIKE... I'VE BECOME THE FOCUS... FEELS WEIRD...

WHOSE MUMMY? OR SISTER?

BEAUTIFUL!

EVEN I'M IMPRESSED!

...UNABLE TO CURE THE DISEASE... THE VILLAGERS VISITED MR. AMAGI...

ONLY NOW DO I REALISE...

BUT ...

THE REASON THEY DIDN'T WANT RYO-PAPA TO COME...

HAHA HA...

...

...?

RUSTLE

!?

THAT'S THE TYPE I LIKE!

I WAS WONDERING WHY HE INSISTED AGAINST ME COMING... SO THAT'S WHY!

THAT BASTARD! HE WENT TOO FAR!

KAKAKA... WHAT SHOULD I DO!

GIGGLE ...

HIS INSTINCTS ARE TOO GOOD! Especially in these situations

RYO-PAPA!

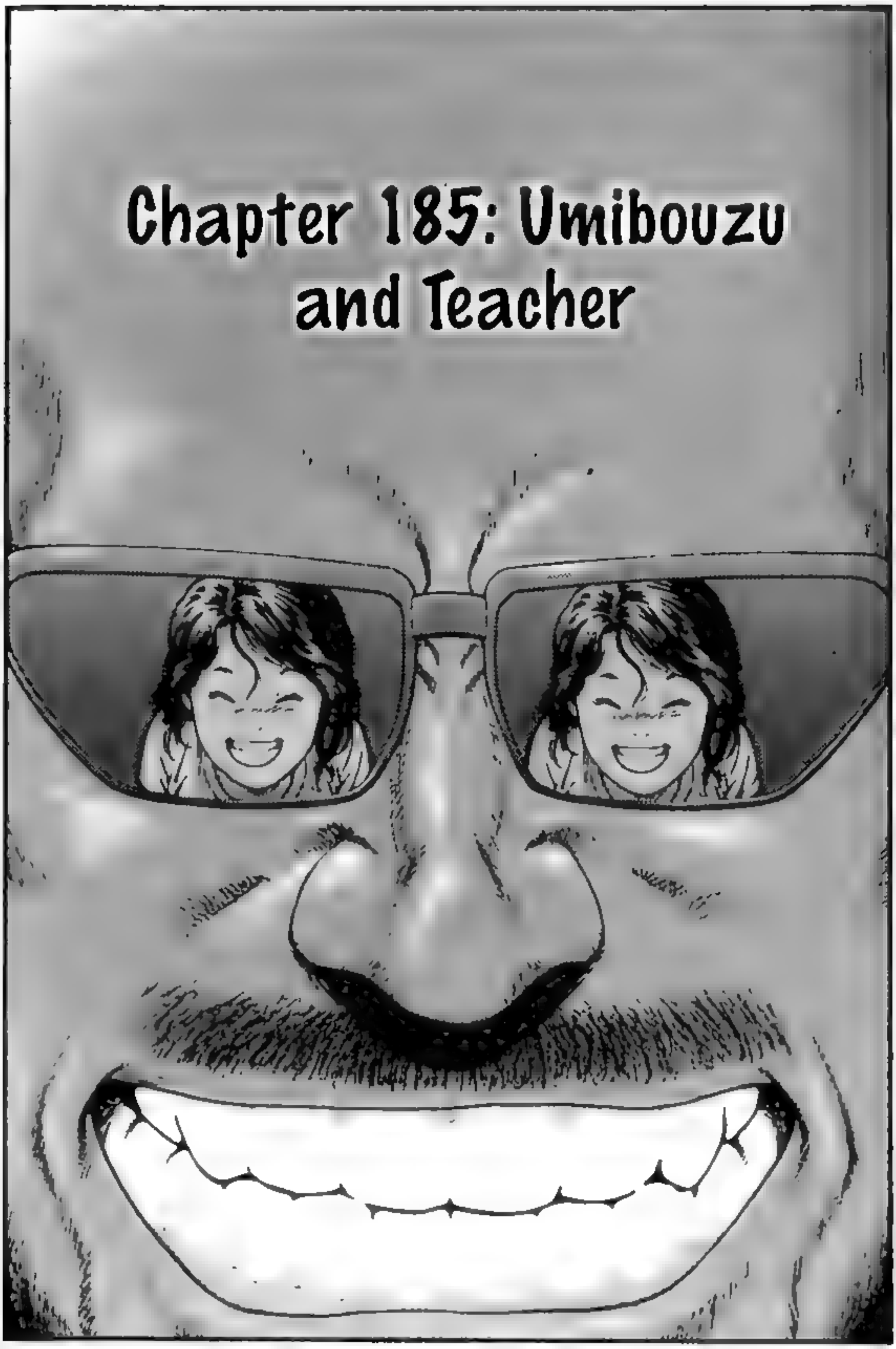
UMIBOUZU ...

... MIKI...

TWitch

HE'S HERE TOO...

Chapter 185: Umibouzu and Teacher



ENTERING THE DEVIL'S DEN WITHOUT EVEN CONTACTING HIM FIRST...

AM I BEING TOO RASH...

営業中.

AHAHA HA

...

...

... NO.

MAYBE WE SHOULD JUST LET HER TRANSFER SCHOOLS?

DISCIPLINE MASTER FUKUDA...

IS THE SITUATION STILL THE SAME, MISS SHINDOU?

IT'S ALRIGHT TO BE SHUNNED BY OTHERS, BUT ONCE SHE STARTS GETTING BULLIED, IT'LL BE BAD...

HAVEN'T I MENTIONED? IT'S BEST TO SETTLE THIS BEFORE THE REAL TROUBLES START.

...

ER...

I'VE HEARD THAT RETIRED SOLDIERS OFTEN END UP AS SUCH... RUNNING A CAFE ALONG ONE OF SHINJUKU'S BUSIEST STREETS! RUMOUR HAS IT THAT THERE ARE FEW CUSTOMERS, MAYBE IT'S SOME KIND OF SHADY STORE?

I'VE GOTTEN ONE OF THE SCHOOL'S MALE TEACHERS TO TAKE A LOOK.

NORMAL ...?

HER FATHER IS SUSPICIOUS TOO, FROM HIS LOOKS AND IMMENSE STRENGTH, HE'S DEFINITELY NOT NORMAL...

WHAT I'M TRYING TO SAY IS... YAKUZA...

THE EMPLOYEE IS A THUG COVERED IN BRUISES... HER FATHER OFTEN ABUSES HIM TOO...

OR A SUSPICIOUS CHINESE OLD MAN WHO OCCASIONALLY VISITS, AND A FATSO CALLED BOSS...

THE CUSTOMERS SEEMED TO BE A YAKUZA AND HIS LOVER!

I FEAR THAT CHILD MIGHT BE SUFFERING LIKE THAT EMPLOYEE, BEING ABUSED DAILY.

AND THIS FATHER-DAUGHTER PAIR SEEM TO HAVE NO RESEMBLANCE AT ALL, NO?

...

IT DOESN'T LOOK LIKE A NORMAL CAFE TO ME, IT'S MORE LIKE A LAIR OF EVIL...

USE THE SUMMER VACATION TO SETTLE IT, THAT WAY THE OTHER STUDENTS CAN HAVE A PEACEFUL TERM TOO...

IT'LL BECOME TROUBLESOME IF WE LEFT IT ALONE, SETTLING IT SOON IS FOR YOUR OWN SAKE!

THAT FAMILY'S IN A MESS!

NO... WAY!

...

CAN I DO ANYTHING IN THE FACE OF HER FATHER?

BUT ...

ISN'T IT A TEACHER'S RESPONSIBILITY TO GUIDE AND HELP HER?

IS THIS RIGHT?. ABANDONING HER BECAUSE OF FAMILY PROBLEMS...

AHA HAHA

...

IT'S TOO DANGEROUS TO ENTER ALONE!

MISS, DANGER!

RYO-PAPA! WHY'RE YOU IMPEDING THE CAFE'S BUSINESS?

I KNOW A MUCH MORE SUITABLE PLACE FOR A BEALITY LIKE YOU, LET ME BRING YOU THERE...

...

HMM?

YOU! ARE...

SHINDOU SENSEI?

AIYA?

UWAHHH!

DRIP

YOU ARE...

DRIP

DRIP DRIP...

DRIP DRIP...

...

I'M SURROUNDED.. NO WAY TO ESCAPE..

ABUSIVE FATHER...

YAKUZA.. LOVER..

...

... AND COMES HOME LATE.

SHE'S ALWAYS PRETENDING TO HANG OUT WITH IMAGINARY FRIENDS...

MIKI'S NOT BACK YET.

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AH... DON'T MENTION IT...

I'M VERY GRATEFUL FOR YOU VISITING ME PERSONALLY ABOUT THIS.

HEY... DON'T JOKE, HOW CAN A BEAUTY FACE THE BEAST ALONE...

twitch

CAN YOU LEAVE? WE HAVE IMPORTANT MATTERS TO DISCUSS.

MAINTAINING A CONVERSATION WITH A BRUTE CAN BE DIFFICULT, BUT RELAX! RYO WILL PROTECT YOU.

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DON'T' BE SO TENSE!

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...

?

IT'S MORE LIKE YOU INTERFERING WITH THEM...

HEY... LEMME GO! WHY'RE YOU INTER-FERING WITH MY LOVE CONQUEST?

YUP YUP...

NO WAY!... IT'S ONLY THE TWO OF US!!

EVEN IF HE'S YAKUZA, I'M HERE TO PROTECT MY STUDENT! I CAN'T LOSE!

HOW CAN I BE AFRAID ...

HEHE HEHE...

ER... AH!

AREN'T YOU BEING RUDE?

WHAT DID YA SAY? YOU BITCH!

...

THOUGH YOU ALWAYS WEAR SHADES... ISN'T IT COURTESY TO REMOVE THEM WHEN TALKING TO SOMEONE?

SORRY ABOUT THAT...

YEA... SO PLEASE ALLOW ME TO KEEP THEM ON.

YOUR EYES...

PLEASE...

I'M THE ONE WHO SHOULD BE SORRY!

DON'T FRET, MY FACE ISN'T THE MOST GOOD LOOKING AND I'M USED TO IT.

SMELLS FANTASTIC...

.....!

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... BUT THOUGH IT'S SO GOOD, WHY AREN'T THERE CUSTOMERS?

THANK YOU...

DELICIOUS! IT'S MY FIRST TIME HAVING SUCH GOOD COFFEE!

TO...!

I WOULDN'T DARE! I WOULD'VE TURNED TAIL AND RUN.

SENSEI, WOULD YOU WANT TO ENTER A CAFE WITH AN OWNER LIKE ME?

AH... I MESSED UP AGAIN ...

ON THE OPEN DAY, I ASKED THE DAUGHTER OF MY FRIEND JUST NOW, TO GO IN MY PLACE... BUT SEEMS LIKE IT'S USELESS...

MAYBE... WE WERE DECEIVED BY THEIR APPEARANCE...

... YES.

NO PROBLEM, DON'T MENTION IT.

AH... PARDON ME...

RATHER DIFFERENT... FROM EXPECTED...

!!

SOMETIMES I WONDER... MAYBE I SHOULDN'T HAVE ADOPTED MIKI.

THIS IS ALL MY FAULT.

DAUGHTER? SO... IT WASN'T HIS LOVER...

SHE'S ADOPTED!

... NO.

SHE'S AN ORPHAN.

...

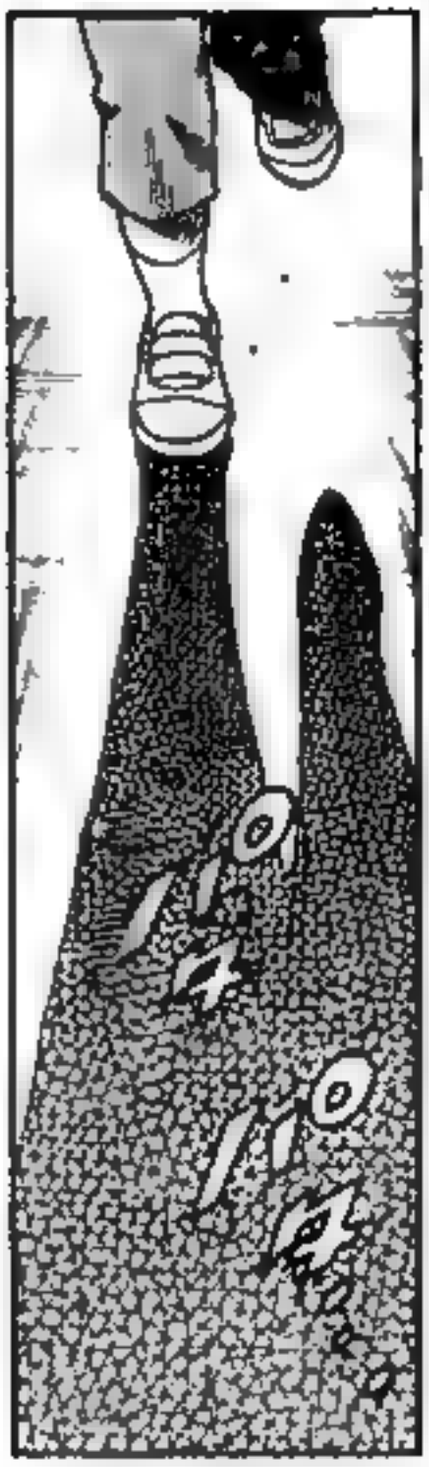
ER... YOU SAID ...

MIKI... SHE ISN'T YOUR OWN DAUGHTER?

...

NO FAMILY, THEN HER PREVIOUS HOME WAS...

MIKI USED TO BE... A HOMELESS CHILD.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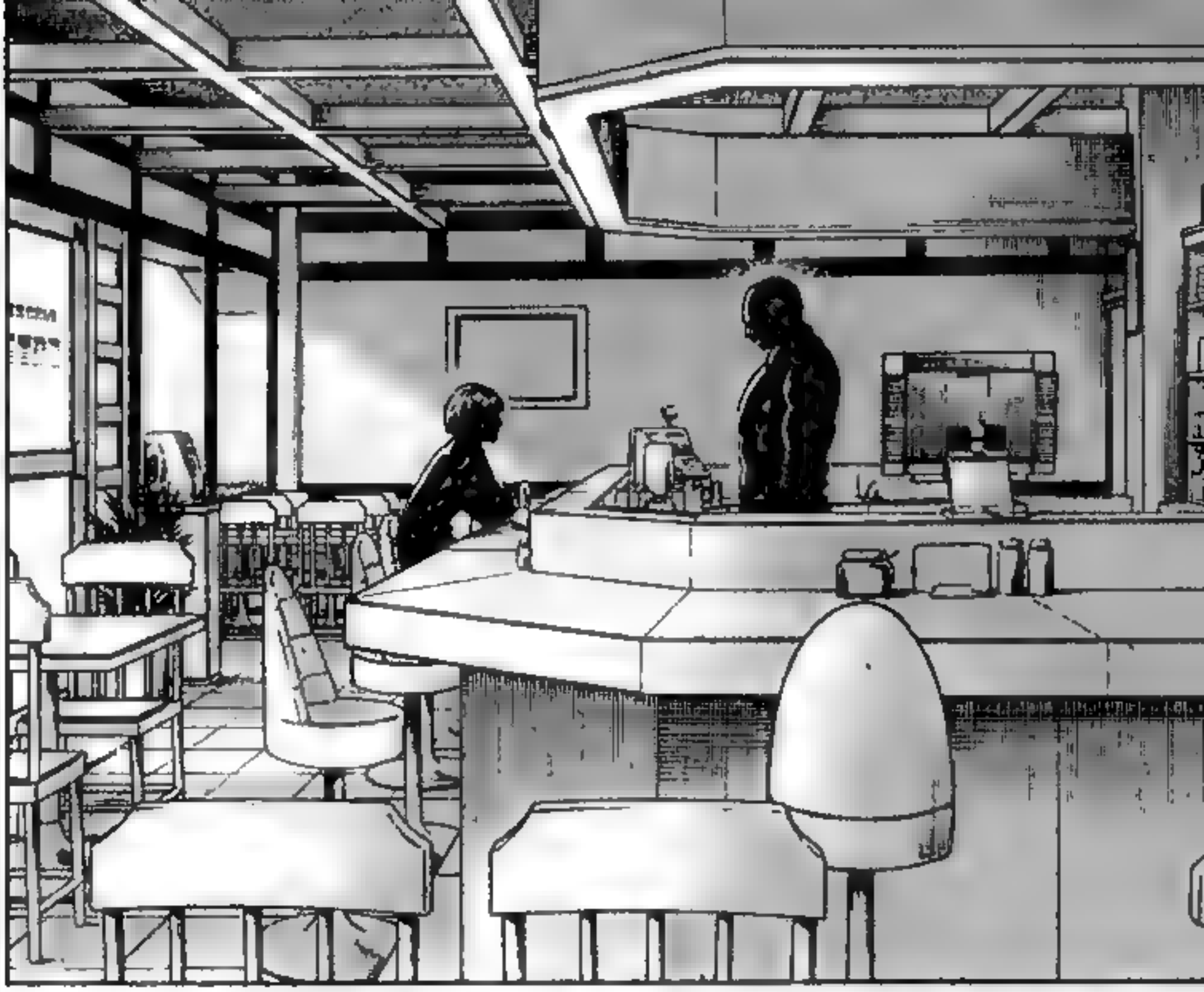

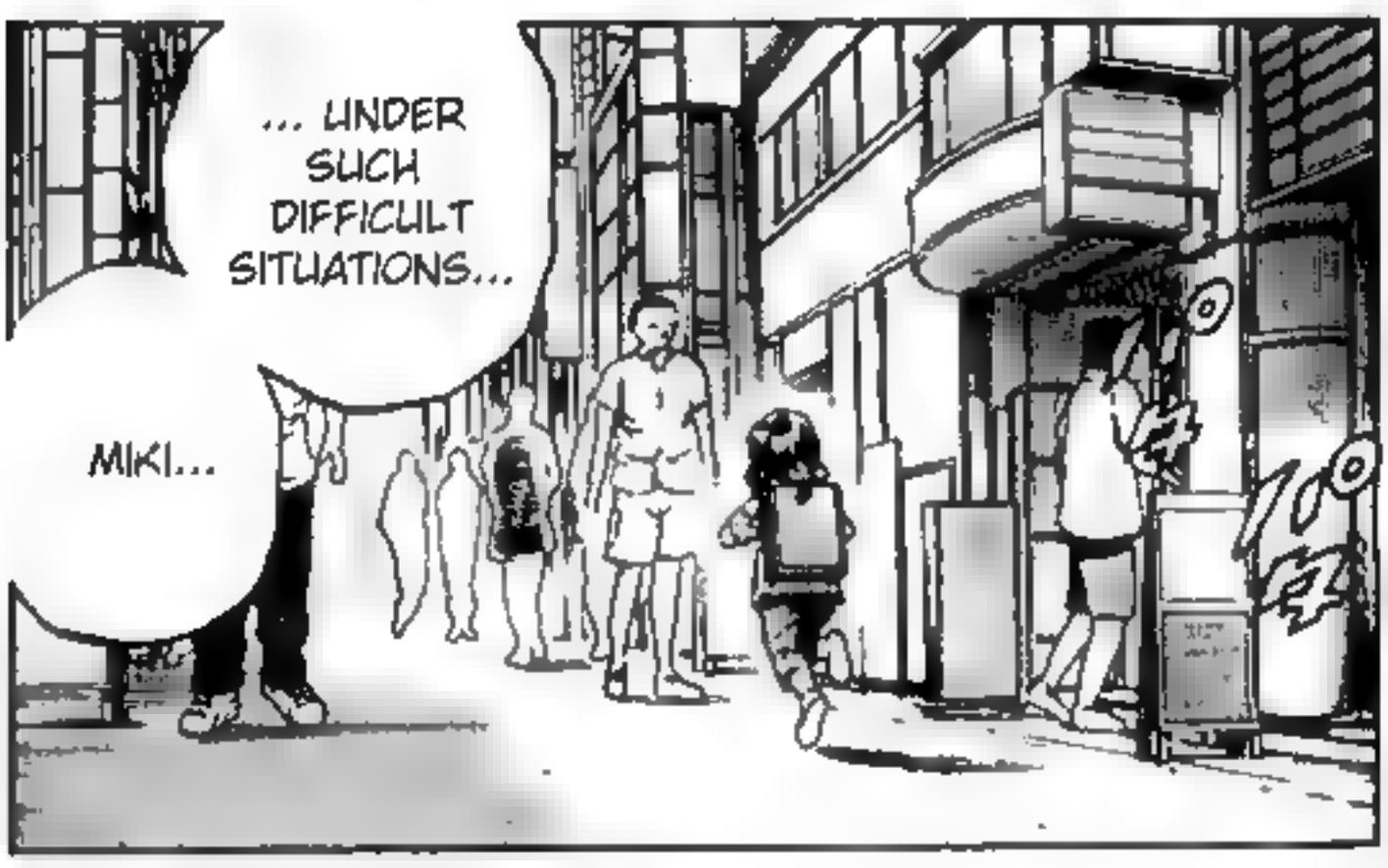
... UNDER SUCH DIFFICULT SITUATIONS...
MIKI...

...
BUT... ACTUALLY, SHE WAS THE ONE WHO HELPED ME...
THOUGH I'M UNABLE TO LET MIKI, WHO HAS SUFFERED IN THE PAST, ENJOY A WEALTHY LIFE, AT LEAST SHE CAN LIVE A NORMAL LIFE.

SO... I DECIDED TO DO ANYTHING FOR MIKI.

SHE HAS DONE WELL ...

VIVIDLY DESCRIBE THE SCENERY WHICH I HAVE ALMOST FORGOTTEN

SHE'LL READ TO ME

SHE'S ALWAYS FAITHFULLY BEEN MY EYES.

EYES...

SENSEI! MIKI IS AN IRREPLACEABLE CHILD TO ME!

BUT I'VE ALWAYS BEEN HINDERING HER...

...

I'LL DO ANYTHING! PLEASE TAKE CARE OF MIKI!

WELCOME BACK MIKI... YOUR TEACHER'S HERE!

TEACHER ...

I'M BACK, FALCON!

SHOO

HI... SORRY TO INTRUDE...

AH! HELLO SENSEI!

SENSEI, ARE YOU ALRIGHT?

AND YOU HAVE... A GOOD FATHER...

MIKI... YOU ARE A GOOD GIRL...

SENSEI ...

...IS TRULY TOUCHING.

THIS FAMILY ...

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Chapter 186
Umibouzu's A Pervert?

BUNGO-'05 AUG

I'M GONNA BE LATE!

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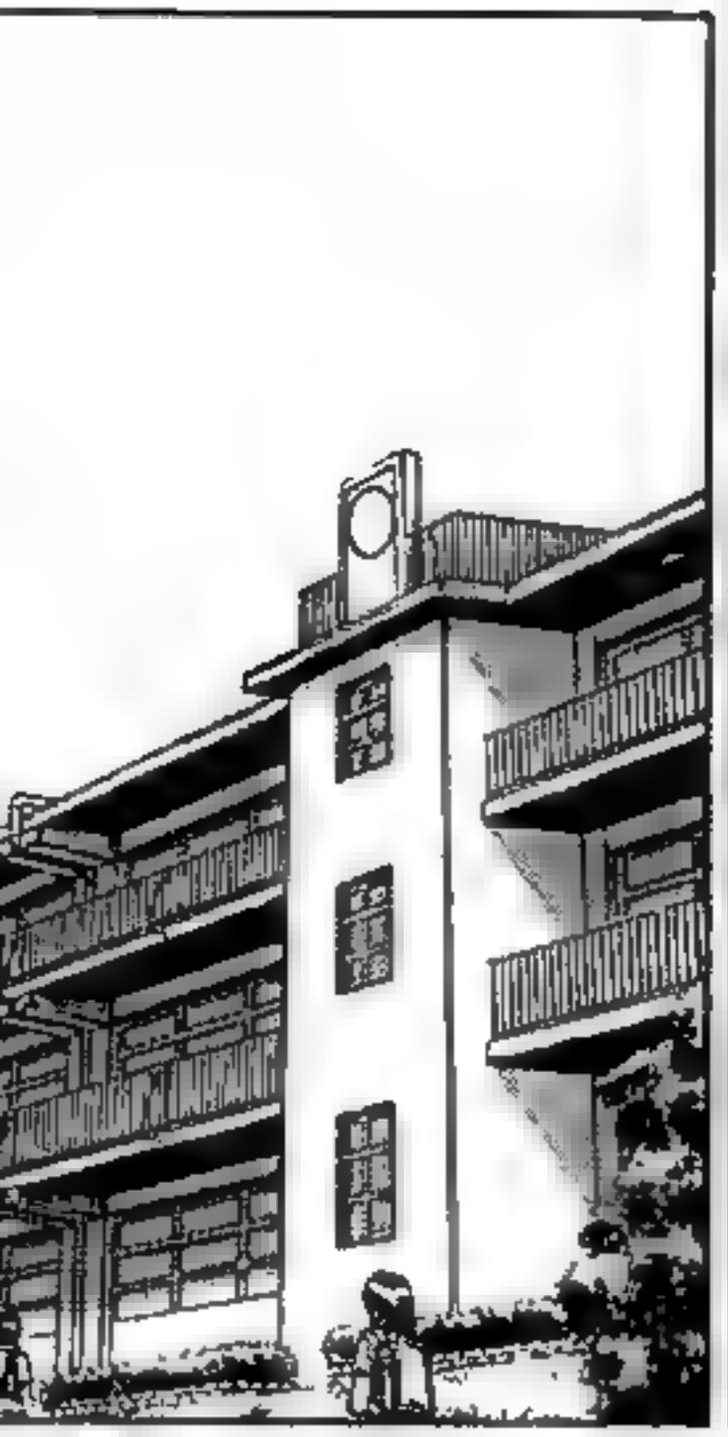
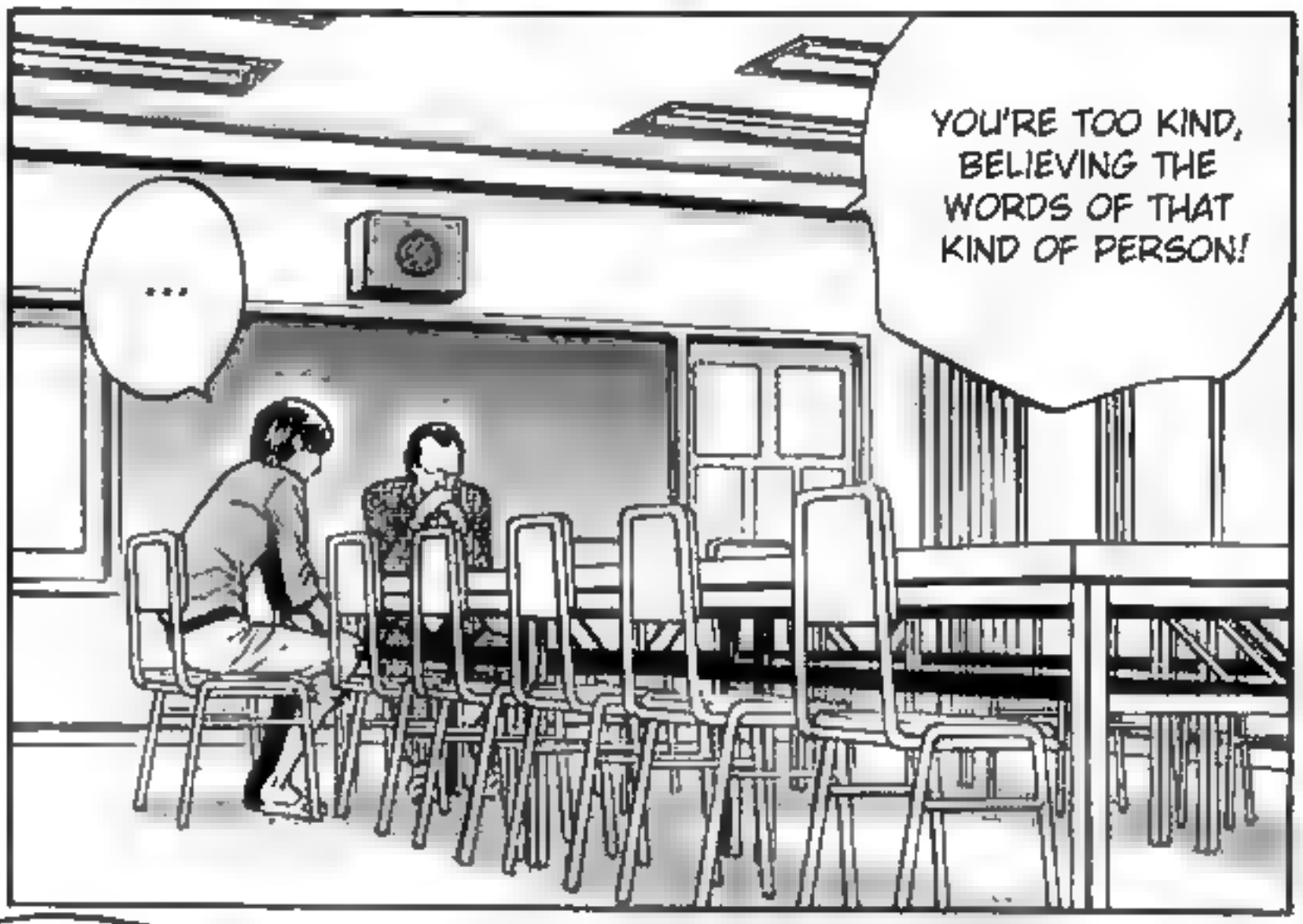
YOUNG LADY...

LATE? WHY NOT LET ME GIVE YOU A LIFT?

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YOU'RE TOO KIND, BELIEVING THE WORDS OF THAT KIND OF PERSON!

YOU'VE BEEN COMPLETELY FOOLED!

DOESN'T SEEM LIKE? HE IS! I CAN'T SEE WHAT ELSE HE CAN BE!
MIKI'S FATHER DOESN'T SEEM LIKE A BAD PERSON...

BUT...

BUT...

VICE PRINCI-PAL!

THEN IF THERE'S TROUBLE, YOU'LL BEAR FULL RESPONSIBILITY!

WE.. CAN'T JUDGE A PERSON BY HIS LOOKS ALONE...

ACTUALLY, IF ONLY SHE TRANSFERS, THIS WILL BE SMOOTHLY SETTLED, YOU CATCH ME?

FALCON!

ABOUT THE COFFEE BEAN INVENTORY ...

THE POLICE CALLED JUST NOW...

WHAT IS IT? PLEASE KNOCK FIRST...

SAYING THAT A STUDENT... WAS KIDNAPPED!

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…

DID HE GO TO SEE HER AT SCHOOL AGAIN? MORE LIKE TO SPY ON HER...

SHE'S ALONE AGAIN TODAY...

THIS IS THE SECOND TIME NOW ...

THIS STUDENT ALMOST GOT KIDNAPPED...

LOOKS LIKE IT'S BETTER IF THEY CAME TO SCHOOL IN GROUPS.

SHE RAN TO THE POLICE STATION AFTER SHAKING THE CULPRIT OFF... IT COULD HAVE BEEN MUCH WORSE.

YA... LUCKILY WE'VE REMINDED THEM TO BE VIGILANT.

...

AND APPARENTLY BALD...

BUT A LARGE BUILD...

WELL, IT WAS DARK IN THE CAR, SO SHE DIDN'T SEE HIS FACE...

DID SHE SEE THE CULPRIT'S FACE?

LARGE BUILD...

THE TROUBLES JUST KEEP COMING...

BALD WITH A LARGE BUILD?

I NEVER SAID THAT!

BUT...

HMM?

VICE PRINCIPAL... ARE YOU SUSPECTING THIS IS RELATED TO MIKI'S FATHER?

IF EVEN YOU'RE SUSPECTING HIM, THEN IT'S POSSIBLE THAT...

I'M NOT...

EH?

HAH!

OFFICER!

THERE'S A SUSPICIOUS PERSON!

SEEMS LIKE THINGS AREN'T GETTING BETTER ... IS THERE NO OTHER WAY?

STOP! WE'RE THE POLICE!

WHAT... MY DAUGHTER STUDIES HERE...

WHY WOULD A PARENT CLIMB THE SCHOOL WALLS?

EXCUSE ME, WHAT'RE YOU DOING IN THIS PLACE?

POLICE...

SFX: FFM

WHAT'S GOING ON... ARE YOU ARRESTING ME?

WHAAAT?

LOOKS LIKE I'LL HAVE TO ASK YOU TO COME WITH US TO THE STATION.

THAT...

ARE YOU TRYING TO RESIST?

YOU...

WAH!

ALRIGHT... I'LL GO!

...

... NOW IT'S SETTLED.

...

UMIBOUZU WAS ARRESTED?

APPARENTLY THERE WAS A SUSPICIOUS PERSON LURKING NEAR MIKI'S SCHOOL...

警視

DON'T TELL ME HE'S A PERVERT ...

THIS DOESN'T FEEL RIGHT...

WHAT? UMIBOUZU WOULD NEVER DO SOMETHING LIKE THAT...

HE JUST WENT TO SEE MIKI, BUT GOT ARRESTED...

I KNOW...

WHY NOT?

UMIBOUZU, YOU'VE BEEN RELEASED ALREADY?

BASTARD!

Ouch ...

I TESTIFY, THIS MAN'S A VIOLENT LOLICON!

WHO'S A PERVERT?

THEY FIGURED IT OUT IN A JIFFY! TSK...

BUT YOU...

HOW'D I DRIVE LIKE THIS?

THE SUSPECT DROVE!

AH...

BUT...

SIGH... IF I RESISTED, IT'D BE WORSE FOR MIKI IN THE FUTURE, SO I NEED TO PROVE MY INNOCENCE!

DIDN'T RESIST AND BOARDED THE COP CAR.

...

AH... SHE'S READING UPSTAIRS...

WHERE'S MIKI?

I THINK...

CAT'S·EYE COFFEE HOUSE
Even the bullet proof glass...

IS IT...
... SO IT'S ALREADY SPREAD AT SCHOOL...

BUT...

...

PLEASE DON'T COMFORT ME...

SINCE IT'S A MISUNDER-STANDING, IT'LL SETTLE DOWN SOON ENOUGH ...

HOW CAN YOU SAY THAT? MIKI THINKS OF YOU AS A FATHER ...

SOMEONE LIKE ME CAN NEVER BRING MIKI HAPPINESS...

ACTUALLY I... AS EXPECTED I SHOULDN'T HAVE BEEN MIKI'S FATHER ...

BUT IT SEEMS MIKI DOESN'T THINK OF ME THAT WAY...

ER...

I... REALLY WANT TO BE A FATHER...

FATHER ...

MIKI... HAS NEVER CALLED ME "PAPA"... I THINK THIS'LL NEVER CHANGE...

... SHE DOES...

COFFEE HOUSE CAT'S EYE

WHEN SHE'S TALKING TO ME, SHE ALWAYS CALLS YOU "PAPA"...

!!

ALWAYS HAS...

EVERY DAY, PAPA HE...

ALWAYS HAS...

PAPA'S SO IRRITATING ...

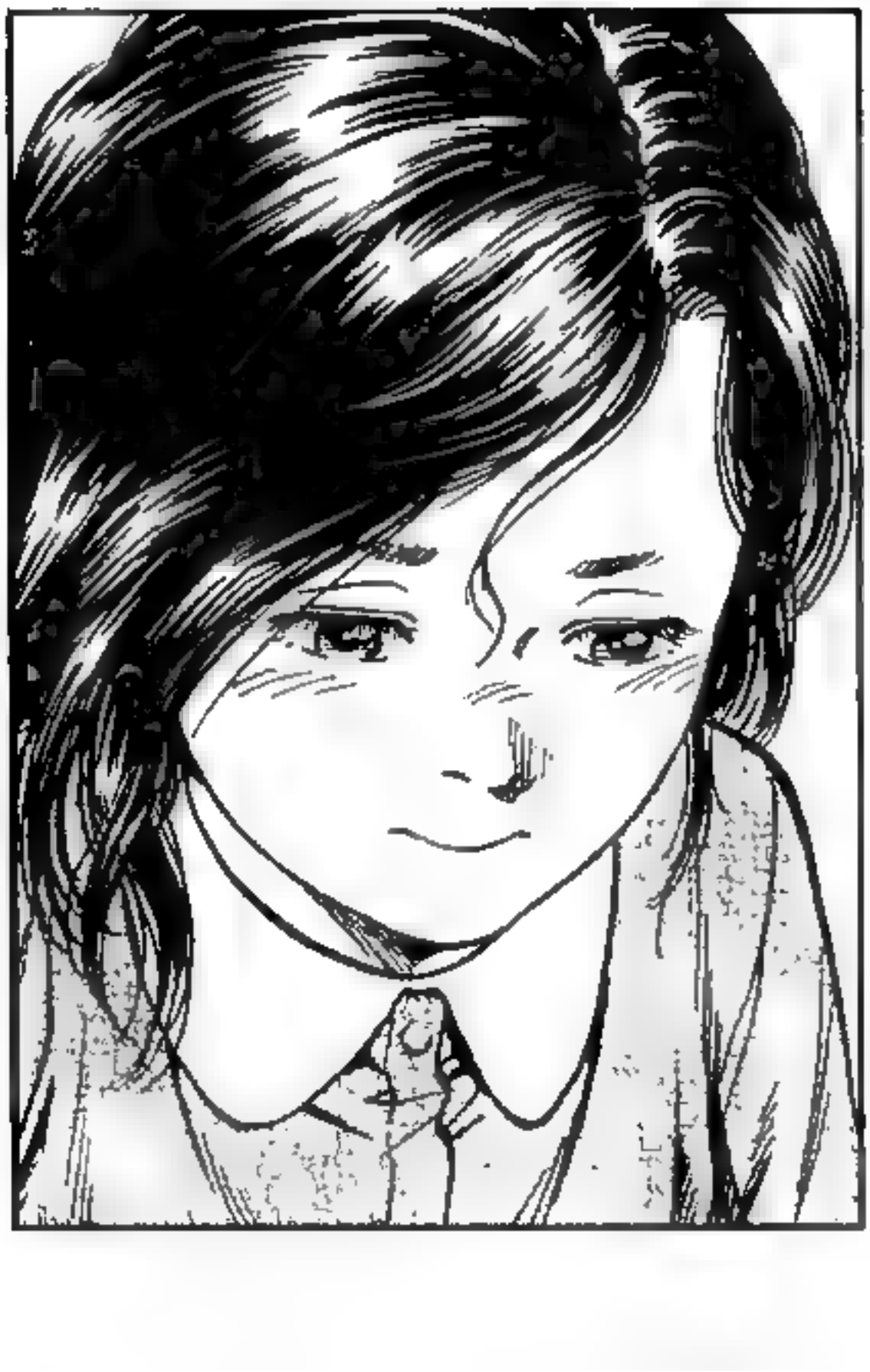
ALWAYS HAS...

ALWAYS HAS...

MY PAPA, HE...

I GUESS MIKI'S JUST... TOO EMBARRASSED TO DO IT IN FRONT OF YOU ...

MIKI !...



Chapter 187
Miki's Disappea-rance

TSUKASA TOSAKA

BE CAREFUL ON THE WAY!

OKAY!

I'M LEAVING!

...

SHIN-HON, TAKE CARE OF THE CAFE!

IF I CAN'T PROVE MY INNOCENCE, MIKI WON'T BE ABLE TO CONTINUE THERE.

BUT IF YOU'RE DISCOVERED TO BE LOITERING NEAR THE SCHOOL AGAIN, PEOPLE'LL JUST SUSPECT YOU MORE!

YOU WANNA AMBUSH THE REAL CULPRIT AT SCHOOL?

STAY HERE!

MIKI'S LIKE A SISTER TO ME!

YOU CAN COUNT ON ME SOME-TIMES...

I DON'T CARE... MOVE!

...

EH?

SHIN-HON...

REALLY! YOU'RE SO BULKY, YET SO RASH!

ACT MORE LIKE A FATHER, STAY IN THE CAFE!

... SHIN-HON...

NO WAY!

MIKI'S YOUR SISTER... DOESN'T THAT MAKE YOU MY SON?

...

...

...

NO SUSPICIOUS VEHICLES NEAR THE SCHOOL...

IT'S ALMOST TIME FOR SCHOOL... TODAY'S FINE THEN.

... MIKI...

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...?

MIKI...

...

YEA...

SHANIN'S KEEPING WATCH NEAR THE SCHOOL?

BUT LEMME TELL YOU, THAT IDIOT WILL MESS UP IF SHE MEDDLES TOO MUCH...

SORRY...

ISN'T IT FUNNY, AS FATHERS, WE'RE DOING SOMETHING LIKE THIS...

AH... I DIDN'T MEAN YOU ...

SHUT UP!

LEMME HEAR HER VOICE TOO... DON'T KEEP HOGGING IT!

WHAT...

HELLO... AH, MS. SHINDOU...

IS IT THE TEACHER?

RING RING... RING...

YES... I THOUGHT MIKI'S ILL, SO I CALLED...

SHE ISN'T AT SCHOOL...

DON'T TELL ME ...

!!

EH... THEN...

NO... SHE DEFINITELY LEFT FOR SCHOOL THIS MORNING...

WAS SHE KIDNAPPED...

...

AH... I THINK IT'LL BE FINE, I'LL SEARCH AROUND AT SCHOOL... AND CONTACT YOU AGAIN...

BEEP ...

MS. SHINDOU, ARE YOU OKAY?

IF YOU SEE HER, TELL ME IMMEDIATELY!

OKAY...

ER... NOTHING ... DID YOU SEE MIKI ON YOUR WAY TO SCHOOL?

WHAT'S UP? YOU'RE SO TENSE!

ER...

...

NOPE ...

DIDN'T SEE HER...

I DON'T KNOW.

NOPE!

LET GO! MIKI DEFINITELY GOT CAUGHT BY THAT PERVERT!

NOT NECES-SARILY!

CALM DOWN, IF YOU GO THERE NOW, IT'LL JUST MAKE THINGS WORSE!

INCOMING AH-SHAN

RING RING

... REALLY... THEN PLEASE TAKE CARE OF IT...

I'M KINDA BUSY NOW!

HELLO... AH-SHAN?

Pat Pat

BEEP

RELAX... MIKI'S FINE!

...?

... LET'S GO!

...

WHAT'S UP? WHY AREN'T YOU AT SCHOOL?

I DON'T WANNA!

WHAT'S WRONG?

... YOU KNOW...

BECAUSE YOU CAN'T MAKE FRIENDS, AND YOU FEEL LONELY?

AND FALCON KNOWS, TOO?

... NO WAY...

?

IT CAN'T BE...

NO WAY...

...

I RECKON... YOU FEEL LONELY...

NOT MAKING FRIENDS...

... YOU DON'T WANNA GO TO SCHOOL ...

I DON'T NEED ANY FRIENDS!

SORRY.. IT'S MY FAULT...

MIKI, SHE...

NO... UMIBOUZU.

I HATE THAT SCHOOL!

I DON'T WANNA BE FRIENDS WITH THEM!

I HATE THEM, ALWAYS TALKING BAD ABOUT YOU!

KARAN

... MIKI...
YOU...

ER...

... AH...

KID...
CAN I
HELP...

...?

...

AH!

...

THIS IS
FOR YOU!

...

CAUSE YOU WEREN'T THERE TODAY...

THIS IS A NOTICE FOR THE SUMMER BEACH CAMP!

海学のおしらせ

YOU'LL COME TO SCHOOL, RIGHT?

YOU...

YOUR DAD...

IS SO COOL!

CAT'S

...

SEEMS LIKE... NOT EVERYONE'S BAD!

THERE'RE THOSE WHO ADMIRE UMIBOUZU.

...

Yahoo!

HE'S GOT GUTS! COMING TO THE SO-CALLED DEVIL'S DEN ALONE... THAT CHILD WILL MAKE A SPLENDID SOLDIER!

... WHAT'RE YOU SAYING... DON'T GET YOUR HOPES UP...

...

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